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27th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
3rd Feb.	EGYPT	7912	...	...
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
17th ,,	CHINA	7912	...	...
24th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	BRITANNIA	6525
3rd Mar.	ARABIA	7903	...	...
10th ,,	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	10000
17th ,,	MACEDONIA	10512	...	...
24th ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	MONGOLIA	10000
31st ,,	PERSIA	7951	...	...
7th Apl.	ORIENTAL	5284	MOOLTAN	10000
14th ,,	EGYPT	7912	...	...
21st ,,	PENINSULAR	5294	MARMORA	10509
28th ,,	CALEDONIA	7558	...	...
5th May	ORIENTAL	5284	VICTORIA	6522
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Bombay, 8th January, 1906.

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22 55	9 25	D. Do. ......A.	17 33	7 10
6 0	14 13	A. Hubli ....D.	12 50	23 30
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10 35	18 33	A. Harihar. ...D.	8 35	18 35
10 50	18 41	D. Do .....A.	8 27	18 15
22 28	5 35	A. Bangalore ..D	22 30	7 Mixed 0
Mixed				
23 0	7 45	D. Do .....A.	17 15	5 45
6 5	13 25	A. Mysore.....D.	11 40	21 30

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BENNETT AND COMPANY,

No. 22, APOLLO STREET.

THE SALE of the remaining Stock in Trade of Messrs. Morenas and Co. consisting of a large lot of glass and crockeryware, toys, etc., will be resumed TO-DAY at 1 p.m.

TO-MORROW SATURDAY, the 13th instant at 3 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT and Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their Rooms, a quantity of grey and coloured piece-goods etc.

By order of the Trustees of the late Mr E. R. Smetham—One lot of glass and crockeryware, and a lot of valuable law and other books, etc.

AT 1-30 P. M.

1 handsome strong victoria, in very good order.

1 handsome strong palanquin office shigram, in very good order.

1 handsome strong glass fronted miniature brougham in very good order.

1 bay arab quiet in harness and saddle.

1 grey pony quiet in harness.

1 grey Australian gelding, 15-1, aged, reliable and fast in saddle and harness.

1 chestnut Arab, 15 hands, 7 years, broken to saddle and and harness.

1 handsome strong four-seated brougham by silk and Son in good order.

The property of H. E. Lord Lamington,

1 bay Australian mare, "Sappho," aged, 15-2, steady, in single, double and team harness.

1 brown Australian gelding, "Sepoy," aged 16 2-1-2, steady in single, double and team harness.

1 bay Australian gelding " Samaritan, " 15 2-1-2, steady, in single, double and team harness.

The property of Major Lee who has gone to England.

1 bay Arab gelding, "Caledonia,", 14 hands, aged, good polo pony Ray 3rd in the Army Cup.

The property of Captain Greig.

1 chestnut stud bred mare, " Dagger, " 14-1 7 years very good polo pony, very good mouth hunted with Poona and Bombay Hounds.

On TUESDAY, the 16th instant at 1 p.m., Messrs. BENNETT & Co, are instructed to sell by Public Auction at Medows Street, Fort, the remaining stock in-trade of Messrs. Morenas and Co., consisting of one nearly new soda water machin by Barnett & Foster with all the accessories and about 29 dozens soda bottles, one pastry machine, one lot of rich wines, consisting of champagne, claret, whisky, cognac, liquors and chartroos &c., gruel cheese each 75 lbs. furniture consisting of large English show cases, sliding door cupboards, marble top tables and chairs, hanging punkahs, hanging lights glass chandeliers, one large marble-top counter, one iron safe by Chubb lock on stand, icebox copper utensils, &c, &c.

Catalogues will be published and the property is now on view.

AUCTION SALE OF UNSERVICEABLE STORES a quantity of Brass Pigs, Gun Metal and Iron and a brand new 14 h. p. Vertical Steam Engine, &c., at the Castle Park Arsenal, Fort behind the Town Hall.

Under instructions from the Ordnance Officer-in-charge, Bombay Arsenal Messrs BENNETT & Co. will on FRIDAY the 26th instant at 2 p. m. sell by Public Auction, at the abovementioned place a large quantity of unserviceable stores consisting of leather pieces, bags, sand common pawking doosootee, old iron, lot scrap indicators pressure spring Volunteers seamen, coil resistance tools for Armourers, machines prime mover engine steam vertical 14 h p. gun metal old pig old brass pig copper old, copper pig, nickle pig, convas taps cotton gunny, rubbish, &c.

BENNETT & CO.

Bombay, 12th January, 1906.

MENESSE AND COMPANY,

No. 33, HUMMUM STREET.

AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

Under instructions from the Bombay Improvement Trust, Messrs. MENESSE & Co, will sell by Public Auction on the premises THIS DAY, FRIDAY, the 12th instant, at 3 p. m., the materials of the following buildings:—

The materials of buildings street Nos. 52, 56, 56 in Chundanwadi,

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to the Undersigned.

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Cooked, ready for table, whole or half Ham............ ,,	2	0
Cooked, in slices .... ,,	2	8

BACON

	Rs.	A.
Harris' Crown Brand, Real Wilt's Middle, Special Cure, 20 to 30 lbs. each... ,,	1	2
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	Rs.	A
GORGONZOLA Real, 12 to 18 lbs. each ....per lbs.	1	4
GORGONZOLA Real, on cut...... ,,	1	6
Cheshire, English .... ,,	1	0
Gruyere, finest quality .... ,,	1	0
Chedder, Pale Loaf, about 12 lbs. each .... ,,	0	14
American Cheshire .... ,,	0	12
Double Gloster .... ,,	0	14
Edams, Dutch (whole Cheese only about 4 lbs. each) .... ,,	0	12
Imperial in Jars............per jar	1	0
Camembert, in tins ....pea tin	1	4

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THE WEATHER.

(BY TELEGRAPH.)

SIMLA, JAN. 11.

Very light snow has fallen on the North-West Himalayas, and very light rain at Veraval and Waltair. Elsewhere the weather is dry. The storm has moved slightly eastward, and is now very feeble. Lower temperatures than usual continues over Northern and Western India. Dry weather will prevail generally.

TELEGRAPHIC WEATHER AND CROP REPORTS, 11TH JANUARY.

Amritsar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rain urgently wanted. Rabi crop prospects generally good so far.

Hissar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Mooltan.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities. Fine weather doing good to wheat.

Delhi.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.

Agra.—Cloudy, but no rain. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.

Cawnpore.—Bright, no sign of rain. Rain much needed generally for rabi crops.

Beawar.—Bright, no sign of rain. Cotton arriving in small quantities.

Amraoti.—Seasonable. Rabi crop prospects generally good.

Dhulia.—Rain much needed generally for rabi crops. Crop prospects generally good.

Broach.—Bright, fair; strong cold. Cotton picking general and arrivals increasing. Crop prospects generally good.

Viramgaon.—Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants showing bolls.

Wadhwan.—Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants showing bolls.

Dholera.—Yesterday one shower of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants show bolls rapidly ripening.

Sholapur.—Dewfall insufficient. All crops suffering from too little rain.

Hubli.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Outstanding crops benefiting by fine weather.

Bellary.—Bright, no sign of rain. Mornings cold and dewy. Cotton plants slightly damaged by insects and disease. Cotton picking partially begun and arriving in small quantities.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 A.M., ON THURSDAY, THE 10TH JAN.

SUMMARY.

Pressure has increased briskly in Lower Sind Cutch and at Ajmere and has changed irregularly and by small amounts elsewhere.

Winds are north-westerly on the Coromandel Coast, while calms and variable breezes prevail elsewhere. The force has been fresh to light.

Temperature.—The variations of maximum and minimum show a defect of 5° to 8° in several places. The highest temperature in the shade was 92° at Cuddapah and the lowest 35° at Lahore.

Cloud and Humidity.—The sky is partially cloudy at Colombo, Madras, Cuddapah, Mangalore and Veraval.

Rain.—Veraval reports light rain.

Weather is generally fine in the Bombay Presidency.

N. LESLIE,
Meteorological Reporter for Western India.

BIG BEQUEST TO BIRMINGHAM.

£39,000 TO PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

THE late Mr. John Feeney, proprietor of the "Birmingham Daily Post" and "Birmingham Daily Mail," under his will has bequeathed to Birmingham institutions sums amounting to £39,000. His interest in the Art Gallery, to which he had given a splendid collection of examples of Oriental art takes the leading place. To that municipal institution he gives the sum of £30,000. To the University he leaves £20 000, to the General Hospital £10 000, the Queen's Hospital £1,000, the General Dispensary £1,000, the Eye Hospital £1 000, the Women's Hospital £1 000, the Children's Hospital £1,000, the Blind Asylum £1,000 the Middlemore Emigration Homes £1 000, the Wolverhampton Infirmary £1,000, and the Coventry Hospital £1000.

The bequest to the University is for the purpose of maintaining a professor, with suitable equipment, lecturing on some one or more scientific subjects directly connected with some one or more of the trades and industries carried on in or near Birmingham.

All the above bequests are given free of legacy duty, but payment cannot be claimed until the expiration of five years.

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague Attacks.	Plague Deaths	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade; ...	1	1	4
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	1	0	21
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswady, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	0	19
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar, and Mahaluxmi	0	0	7
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	0	0	35
F Parel, Sewree and Sion ...	0	0	12
G Mahim and Worli............	1	1	17
Water Division............	0	0	0
Non-Resident and Unknown...	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	1	12
Total............	3	3	127
Total plague deaths to date ...	304,874	226,373	
Same date last year............	34	28	120

SMALL-POX.

Attack.	Death.
9	1

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WRESTLING in the Catch hold and Graeco-Roman Styles ...	0 14
PRACTICE STROKES AT BILLIARDS. By F. M Hotine ...	0 12
THE GAME OF BILLIARDS. By John Roberts...	0 12

A. J. COMBRIDGE & CO.,
Esplanade Road, BOMBAY.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE.

THE steamer Stephanotis 2581 tons Captain G Howse sailed yesterday for Liverpool with a general cargo.

THE steamer River Clyde 2526 tons Captain B Boyce arrived in harbour on Wednesday evening from Calcutta with a cargo of coal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sirdhana 2073 tons Captain H Maude will sail to-day for Calcutta via coast ports with a general cargo.

THE Hall Line steamer Trafford Hall 3126 tons Captain Collins arrived in harbour yesterday from Glasgow 8th December with a general cargo 4 dogs and passengers.

THE German East Africa Line steamer General 2361 tons Captain C Pens arrived in Bombay harbour on the 10th instant from Durban 9th December with a general cargo and 210 deck passengers.

THE French Mail steamer Annam 3877 tons Commander E Malaval will sail to-day for Marseilles with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr J Rulher for Miss Marie Koing and Mr E Jackson.

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
10	General s............	Pens	Durban Dec 9
	River Clyde s............	Boyce............	Calcutta Dec 31
11	Trafford Hall s ...	Callins	Glasgow Dec 8

DEPARTURES.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
11	Kola s	Chappell ...	Persian Gulf &c
	Okhla s	McClelland ...	Calcutta
	Stephanotis s	Howse	Liverpool

The following vessels obtained their portclearances yesterday:—

Steamer Sirdhana Maude for Calcutta &c
,, Annam Malaval for Marseilles.

The steamer Loodiana for Zanzibar &c, began to load yesterday.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

STEAMER MOVEMENT.

The Clan Line ss Clan Macintyre left Liverpool on the morning of the 10th instant.

DAILY EXPORTS.—JAN. 10.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

Stephanotis s—31 bales cotton L Hemchund

Australia s—100 bales cotton Greaves Cotton and Co; 61 bales wool The Bombay Company 100 cwts metal scrap R Bomonji 86 bales wool W and A Graham and Co; 21 bales wool G Gangadas; 18 bales wool N Goculdas; 125 bales wool J Kara 28 bales wool A Chagla and Co; 71 bales wool W Sagrahman and Co; 130 bales wool David Sassoon and Co 50 bales cotton G Tejpal and Co; 3 cwts brass R Bomanjie

FOR LONDON.

Persia s—70 bales hemp N Futehally and Co; 250 cwts horns G Suchedna 135 cwts horns J M Rehimtoola

Oriental s—3 1-2 cwts ivory K N Miani

FOR MARSEILLES

Australia s—2000 cwts linseed Volkart Bros 4740 cwts teelseed Ralli Bros; 20 cases lemon grass oil M A Patharia 3 pots rosa oil 33 cwts ghi and 20 cwts Kajoo seeds R Jeewandas

FOR NEW YORK.

Australia s—41 casks skins H M Halim

Castello s—50 cwts nuxvomica R Jewandas

FOR HULL.

Castello s—100 bales hemp Kiddle Reeves and Co; 2000 cwts castorseed Volkart Bros 6000 cwts Castorseed 8000 cwts cotton seed E D Sassoon and Co; 4000 cwts cotton seed Dharsee Nanjee and Co

FOR REVAL (VIA HULL)

Castello s—500 bales cotton Ralli Bros

Angola s—1 7 bale cotton Ralli Bros 55 bales cotton The New Mofussil Co

FOR BREMEN.

Scharzenfels s—1 bales cotton Ralli Bros; 55 bales cotton The Bombay Company

FOR DUNKIRK.

Trentham Hall s—110 bales cotton The New Mofussil Co; 220 bales cotton Prier de Soone and Co

FOR BARCELONA.

Australia s—200 bales cotton Gaddum and Co

FOR ANTWERP.

Annam s—65 bales cotton The New Mofussil Co

Sabara s—58 bales cotton Ralli Brothers

FOR GENOA.

R Rubattino s—1100 bales cotton Ralli Bros

FOR ALEXANDRIA.

R Rubattino s—3000 cwts gingellyseed J Fachiri

FOR TRIESTE.

Istria s—58 bales cotton Ralli Bros 1000 cwts gingellyseed J Fachiri 220 bales cotton The Bombay Co

FOR HONGKONG.

Capri s—100 bales twist Sassoon J David and Co; 50 bales twist J David 135 cwts olibanum E Noordin and Co; 500 bales twist C Ebrahim and Co; 125 cwts sharpfins A Chagla and Co

FOR SHANGHAI.

Capri s—10 bales twist W J Abraham 200 bales twist C Ebrahim and Co

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS. BY LT.-COL. LOUIS P. RUSSELL COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, January 12.

The undermentioned members having joined to taken on the strength of the corps and posted to No 1 Sub-Division No 2 Coy—No 1628 Gr J Ratcliffe.

The undermentioned men having resigned are struck off the strength of the corps with effect from the 1st instant.

Gr G Ellis No 3 Coy—Gr C H Brierley No 3 Coy

A Stiffe, Capt R A
Adjut B V A

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.

Bombay, January 12.

37. Detail—To day Friday the 12th instant—Recruits of the current season will parade at Head-Quarters at 6 p. m.

To-day Friday the 12th instant—F Coy will parade at St Mary's College, Byculla at 8-30 p m (Standard Time) and Dress—Drill Order Uniform Caps. Subject—Route-Marching.

38. Strength The following N C Officer and volunteers having left the station are struck off the strength from this date No 4226 corpl W J ffferies No 1713 Vol E Boyd No 5661 Vol T Coulson and No 5713 Vol G G Lafrenais C Coy.

39. Promotion—The Commanding officer is pleased to make the following promotions in F Coy:—

No 4817 Lce Sergt R Wenning to be Sergt vice Johnson, No 5225 Corpl E Cowan weanning to be Sergt vice Gillessie resigned, No 5318 Vol S Kennedy to be Lce Sergt vice macClumpha resigned. No 5270 Lce Corpl K White to be Lce Serght vice Wenning promoted, No 5041 Vol A Dicksou to be Corpl vice Couzen promoted, No 4114 Vol J Brown Dickson to be Corpl vice to complete establishment, No 4668 Vol R F Gorden, No 5275 Vol Bloomfield, No 5611 Vol B Honey, To be Corl to complete establishment.

40 Enrolment The undermentioned having been enrolled is taken on the strength from this date No 5780 Vol C Jones C Coy.

By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

LONDON, Jan. 10.

SECURITIES—

2 3 4 per cent. Consols	89 5-16	=	unchanged
3 do. Rentes	98 3 4	=	do
3 1-2 do. Indian Sterling Loan............	105	=	do
3 1-2 per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	65 13-16	=	do

SILVER—

Spot in London	30 1-4	= + 1-4
2 months hence	29 7-16	= + 1-8
Spot in New York............	65 1-2	= + 1-2

EXCHANGES—

Paris cheques	25·11	= + 1-2
Berlin ,, ...	20·43	= + 1-4
New York Demand	4·86 5-8	= + 3-8

DISCOUNTS—

Bank of England............	4	per cent	= unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills ...	3 5-8	do	= — 1-8
6 ,, ,, ...	3 3-8	do	= — 1-8
3 ,, ,, Fine Trade Bills	4	do	= unchanged
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	4 1-4	do	= do

INTEREST—

Day to day loans............	2	do	= — 1-4
7 day market loans............	2 3-4	do	= — 1-8

At the Periodical biddings for Council Bills for Rs. 1,00,00,000

Rs. 18·10	were allotted to Calcutta	
Rs. 5·80	do	Bombay
Rs. 1·20	do	Madras

Rs. 25·10 at 1s 4 1/16d.

Minimum rate received 2 per cent, average rate Calcutta 16·08 Bombay 16·06

Telegraphic Transfers—

Rs. 71·00	were allotted to Calcutta.	
Rs. 4·00	do	Bombay
Rs. nil	do	Madras

Rs. 75·00 at 1s. 4 1/8d.

Minimum rate received full average rate 16·13

Total amount sold during the week, Rs. 1,05,00,000

Amount to be allotted next week, Rs. 1,20,00,000

Extra allotments nil

METALS—
Copper Braziers £90
Yellow metal 7 7·8
Tin Plates £ 0 12-0
Bar Iron Belgian £ 5-15-0
Iron Corrugated Sheets £ 12-15-0
Basic Steel Bars £ 5-7-6

WHEAT—
Wheat firm

RAPESEED—
Yellow Guzerat 47 1-2 + 1-2 M.-A nominal
Yellow Cawnpore 45 1-2 + 1-4 J.-F sellers
Brown 43 3-4 + 1-2 A.-M, sellers
} strong

LINSEED—
Linseed Bold 49 + 1 A-M sellers strong

COFFEE—
Coffee in New York 8 3-16

ARRIVALS—
Steamers—Aston Hall, Tonkin

In Liverpool.—Cotton Market closed easier. East Indian quiet. Manchester steady. Total Sales 10,000. Spot 6 10—3. Egyptian F. G. F. Brown 8 3-16. Sold on speculation and for Export 500. Imports 41,000. Futures closed easier.

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-April
5·94	5·96	5·99
—6	—7	—1
April-May	**May-June**	**June-July**
6·02	6·05	6·05
—7	—7	—7
July.-Aug	**Aug.-Sept.**	**Sep.-Oct**
6·07	5·99	5·78
—7	—6	—8

Receipts at U S Ports	43,000	
Do last year	23,000	
Exports to Great Britain	2,000	
Do do Continent............	40,000	

IN NEW YORK—

Spot	11·75	
Futures, month of March	11·46	— 7 } a
Do do. July	11·62	— 8

a Declined owing to weak cables and to disappointing attitude of spinners.

IN NEW ORLEANS—

Spot	11·9-16
Futures, month of March	11·71+3
Do. do. May............	11·81+4
Tone at close............	steady.

Henry Neill's Monthly Cotton Report confirms his estimate of 11,50,000 bales. The estimate of ourselves in 11,000,000 bales

Arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay for the 24 hours, ending at 6 p.m. on Wednesday 10th Jan. 1905:—

Cotton............	17,005 bales.
Wheat	8,519 cwts.
Linseed	1,928 do
Rape, Rai and Mustard............	665 do
Gingellyseed	12,136 do
Poppyseed	295 do
Groundnut	669 do
Castorseed	233 do
Rice	82,395 do
Myrabollams	9,646 do
Cottonseed	25,148 do
Mowraseed............	35 do
Gram............	nil
Joowar	1,193 do
Maize	41 do

BOMBAY, JAN. 11.

EXCHANGE.—Tone steady.

Bank T. T.	1s. 4 3-32d.
Bank Demand	1s. 4 1-8d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A.	1s. 4 11-32d.
Do. 6 do. do. ...	1s. 4 15-32d.
French Francs 3 do. do. ...	171
Marcks 3 do. do. ...	139 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days Sight ...	145
Shanghai 30 do. ...	203
Japan 30 do. ...	149 3-4

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—3 1/2 per cent. Tone steady.

Cash	97·11
1st Settlement, 31st January	97·15

Money Market, Tone firm.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since 28th Sept.	4	per cent.	
Bank of Bombay do. 4th Jan.	8	do.	
Bank of Bengal do. 4th ,,	8	do.	
Bank of Madras do. 9th ,,	7	do.	

SEEDS.

	Rs.	a.	p.
LINSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	7	4	0
Forward May ...	7	11	0
RAPESEED.—Tone firm.			
Brown Cawnpore Ready ..	7	4	0
Do. Forward... ..	7	4	0
Yellow Guzerat Ready ...	7	12	0
POPPYSEED—Tone firm.			
Ready	9	0	0
Forward ...	9	0	0
CASTORSEED—Tone firm.			
Ready	35	0	0
Forward	34	0	0
GINGELLYSEED—Tone firm.			
Howree Khandeish	47	8	0
15 per cent Mixed	47	0	0
WHEAT—Tone firm.			
White Delhi forward	5	4	0

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone	steady.
Estimated sales	10,000 Bales
Imports	3,000 ,,

Jan.-Feb.	Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.
5·99	6·01	6·04
+5	+5	+5
Apl.-May	**May-June**	**June-July**
6·07	6·10	6·11
+5	+5	+5
July-Aug.	**Aug.-Sep.**	**Sep.-Oct.**
6·12	6·4	5·80
+5	+5	+2

COTTON.—The local enquiry is slightly better than it was yesterday, but it is still only very moderate. Closing "Sutta" quotations are as follows:—

Bengals Fully Good January ....Rs. 191 1-2
Broach M.-G. Good March............ ,, 255

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited:—

	Fine.	F.-G.	Good.	Dely.
Bengal, H. G. (Ry. term.)	...197	189	...	25th Jan.
Bengals (M.-G.) Ry. terms...	...205	195	...	25th Jan.
Sind-Punjab (M.-G.)	...207	197	...	25th Jan.
Oomrawutte (descriptions) M.-G.	219	213	...	25th Jan.
Khandeish, (M.-G.)	...215	209	...	25th Jan.
Khamgaum, fair staple (M.-G.) Karanja do. (M.-G.) Akola do. (M.-G.)	220	214	...	25th Jan.
Oomra, good staple (M.-G.)	... 230	224	...	25th Jan.
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.-G.)	234	228	...	25th Jan.
Nagpur Kamptee (M.-G.)	... 238	232	...	25th Jan.
Broach (M.-G.)	... 263	...	253	25th Mar.
Muttia (M.-G.)	... 217	211	...	25th Feb.
Yeotmal (M.-G.)	... 237	231	...	25th Jan.

closed.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

The following Races will be sailed on Saturday next the 13th January 1906.

"A" Class Yachts Handicap Race Course No. 12 reversed Start at 3 45 p. m.

"B" Class Yachts Handicap Race Course No. 13. Start at 3 50 p. m.

"Tomtit" Class and Small Boat Handicap Race Course No. 13. Start at 4 p. m.

Ships Boat Race (Service Rig) Course No. 13. Start at 3·30 p. m.

Entries will be closed at 6 p m on Friday.

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DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

THE Charge for Announcements of BIRTHS, MARRIAGES DEATHS and MEMORIAM Notice (which must be authenticated by the name and address of the sender) is Rs 2 for six lines or less and 8 as. for every additional lines. CASH strictly in ADVANCE.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

EDMONDS—January 8, at the Government Maternity Hospital Madras, to Mr and Mrs F Edmonds (of Ivy Cottage, San Thome), of a daughter.

EWBANK—January 5, at Mhow, to Major and Mrs Ewbank of a son.

PRESTON—January 4, at Rawalpindi, the wife of Captain G A Preston, S S O, (40th Pathans), of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

MADDOX—GEILS—January 6, at the Lovedale Chapel Nilgiris, by the Rev A W Atkinson M A, Principal of the Asylum Reginald Maddox, son of Mr Guye Maddox of the Lawrence Asylum, Ootacamund to Olive Geils daughter of the late Assistant Surgeon Geils, I S M D.

ROBERTSON—LAING—December 29, at Pakokku, Upper Burma by the Rev T G Phillips, Douglas Galton Robertson, M A, I C S, Burma Commission to Margaret Laing Edinburgh.

REDDIE—MURRAY—January 5, at Christ Church Lucknow, by the Rev R M Kirwan assisted by the Rev G E Oldham, Captain A J Reddie, 24th Regt (South Wales Borderers) to Rose Robertson, eldest daughter of Colonel R D Murray, I M S Inspector-General of Civil Hospitals, United Provinces.

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P. and O. s.s. Peninsular, with English mails of 29th ult., due to arrive at 9 a.m.

Meeting of the University Senate, 5-45 p.m. (S. T.)

Harmston's Circus, Esplanade.

Novelty Theatre, the Bandmann Opera Company, 9-15 p.m. (S. T.)

THE STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD.—Mr. J. J. Vimadalal will expound "Mathew Arnold's selection from Wordsworth" to the Senior Class on Sunday at 9 a.m. (S. T.) in the Prarthana Mandir, Girgaon

REPORTED THEFT IN THE FORT.—Mr. C. Nicholl, residing at Elphinstone Circle, reports the theft of a lady's watch, two sovereigns, and other cash in silver from an open cupboard in his bedroom some time during his absence from home on Wednesday.

DROWNING FATALITY AT ANANT WADI.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquest yesterday at the Morgue, relative to the death of one Bhagia Pandoo, a Hindu aged 18. On Tuesday night deceased was leaning over the verandah of a house in Anant Wadi overlooking a well, when he lost his balance and fell into the well and was drowned. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

DROWNED WHILE DRUNK.—Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, held an inquest yesterday morning at the Morgue on view of the body of one Judah Moses, a Jew, aged 40. Deceased resided in a room in the Improvement Trust chawl off Morland Road. On Wednesday evening he left his house under the influence of liquor and it was not till yesterday morning that his body was found floating on the surface of the water off the old dhobi ghat, off Morland Road. The jury returned a verdict of accidental drowning while drunk.

ALLEGED MURDER OF A CHILD.—At the Morgue yesterday, Mr. P. Byrne, the Coroner, concluded the inquiry regarding the death of Nagji Dewji, a Hindu boy, aged 5. The dead body of the child was found lying on the ground floor of a house at Matharpacady on the 24th ultimo. The boy is the son of a grain merchant, residing at Kamatipura and was missed on the 22nd ultimo. When his body was recovered two days later, a pair of gold bracelets, valued at Rs. 60, which he had on his person before he left the house, was found to be missing. Major B. H. Grayfoot, Acting Police Surgeon, who held a "post mortem" examination of the body, was of opinion that the child's death was due to asphyxia. The jury returned a verdict of murder by some person or persons unknown.

DARING THEFT ON THE RAILWAY.—At the Mazagon Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. P. H. Dastur, Second Presidency Magistrate, Mr. Kaikobad Nowroji of the B.B. and C.I. Railway Police, charged Goonvant Pandarinath, a Hindu, with the theft of a purse containing some cash belonging to Miss Trott, Lady Superintendent of the Zenana Bible Mission School of Dhanji Street. Miss Trott, it appears, was travelling on Wednesday night by the B. B. and C. I. Railway from Bombay to Surat. Just as the train steamed out of the Grant Road Station the accused jumped on to the foot-board of the compartment in which the lady was seated and snatched the purse from her hand and then jumped off again. On the arrival of the train at Dadar the complainant reported the matter to the Police with the result that accused was arrested yesterday morning. The Magistrate sentenced the accused to undergo three months' rigorous imprisonment.

THE ACWORTH LEPER ASYLUM.—The Committee of the Acworth Leper Asylum, Matunga, beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donations etc. for the months of October, November and December 1905:—Rai Ratanbai Khursetji Tarachand Rs. 11, Mr. B. P. Dadachanji, Rs 25, "A Friend" Rs. 50, Anonymous Rs. 5. Mr. G. S. Manker sweetmeats, crackers, oil for Diwali illuminations, and a palanquin for the Hindoo Temple, Mr. Dadabhai Narayen sweetmeats and crackers, Shah Amichand Govindji Rs 25 kamblees and sweetmeats in memory of the late Mr. Pranjiwandass Dulabhdass Sukhadia, Shah Tokershi Mooji 382 chudders and sweetmeats, and Messrs. Bhugwandass Vishram. V. M. Mone, Govindjee Gordhandass, Tejshi Raghavji, Moolji Padamshi, Oomershi Raishi, Hirji Mepa, Mahomed Taki Haji Abdulla, Poonamchand Panna and Kashibai Sunker, sweetmeats.

LECTURE ON JAPAN.—Mr. Yoshitaro Hara, late President of the Young Men's Christian Association at Yokohama, last night delivered, a very interesting Lantern Lecture on Japan at the Young Men's Christian Association Rooms in Wellington Lines. The object of the lecture was in aid of the new Building Fund of the Bombay Y. M. C. A., which, judging from the large and appreciable audience has no doubt been considerably swelled. The lecturer opened the proceedings with lime-light views of the Army and Navy of Japan after which he proceeded to illustrate some of the beautiful sceneries in Japan and exibited lantern slides depicting the Y. M. C. A buildings in Tokio. After this the audience were given an opportunity of witnessing a portrait on the sheet of the Hon'ble Mr. K. Kataoka, late Speaker of the House Commons in Japan Among the other interesting slides exhibited were:—A battle near Port Arthur; attack on 203 Metre Hill; Commanding Port Arthur Harbour from 203 Metre Hill; General Nogi; a Battle near Shaho; some famous Men-of-War; the great Naval Battle of Okinochima; Admiral Togo's signal to his fleet. "The destiny of Japan depends upon this action. Do your utmost." Red Cross Nurses leaving for the Front; Hospital; ship "Rosettamaru" leaving Yokohama, sick and wounded soldiers taken to "Rosettamaru", Russian wounded; Maple Garden near Tokio, Kinkakunji gardens; Nunobiki Cascade; Boys' festival; Cherry Blossoms in Tokio; Mount Fuji, Mujajima; a Temple in Tokio; Sacred dance at Nara; Winter Scenery, Tokio Y. M. C. A. buildings, &c., &c. On the whole the illustration were indeed interesting.

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AN ACT OF MERE CURIOSITY.—Yesterday at the Esplanade Police Court, before Mr. N. W. Kemp Chief Presidency Magistrate, Pestonji Cowasji, a draftsman in the Municipality, aged twenty years and residing in Bazaar Gate Street, Fort, stood charged with committing the theft of an electric glass-bulb, valued at about Rs. 2-8 the property of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company. Mr. De Souza, pleader, defended the accused. Evidence of Savji Dhondji, B. B. and C. I. Railway policeman, showed that on Wenesday he got into a compartment of a second class bogey carriage, at Colaba, where he saw the accused get into an adjoining compartment of the same carriage. Shortly after the train left the Church Gate Station the witness saw the accused close all the windows of the comparment, except the window above the doors. He saw the accused stand up on the seat and remove the glass bulb from the ceiling of the carriage. The witness jumped over into the accused's compartment, as the partition between their compartments was only half way high. He arrested the accused with the globe in his hand. The defence was that the accused out of curiously stood on his seat and was examining the electric bulb by feeling it, when suddenly the last witness jumped over into his compartment and caught hold of his hand, which gave him a jerk and the bulb was loose from its groove and fell into his hand. The accused said he had not closed any of the carriage windows. There was a Parsee passenger in his compartment, to whom he complained about his arrest. The fellow passenger told him to go to the Station Master to give him a satisfactory explanation, and he would be liberated. On this advice the accused did not care to take the name of the passenger to enable him to call him as his witness. There was no evidence of any eye-witness to corroborate the story for the complainant, beside that of the Railway policeman. His Worship altered the charge of theft into one of causing mischief to the Railway property, and warned and discharged the accused.

DEATH CAUSED BY A MOTOR CAR.

A GOVERNMENT APPEAL REJECTED.

YESTERDAY at the Appellate side of the High Court, the Hon. Mr. Justice Rusell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston disposed of an appeal by Government in a case against Aga Shah Rookhshah, who was charged before Mr. L. C. Swifte, District Magistrate of Poona, on the 10th October last, with driving his motor car so negligently on the high road as to collide with and cause the death of one Tukaram, under section 279 of the Indian Penal Code, but was acquitted under section 245 of the C.P. Code. Government applied for a revision of the decision, praying that the order of acquittal be set, aside, and new trial as for an offence under section 304 A. Penal Code, be directed. Rao Bahadur V. J. Kirtiker, Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Swifte, in disposing of the case, said, it appeared from a careful consideration of the evidence that the deceased Tukaram Appa was tending goats on a high road, when a motor car driven by the accused came along at a moderate rate of speed. Tukaram when the car was close upon him, decided to cross the road from right to left, and in doing so ran into and was struck by the car, which did not go over him, but threw him away to right side of the road, breaking both his legs by the impact. Some two hours elapsed before Tukaram arrived at the hospital. He had been losing blood all the time, and this, in the opinion of the medical officer, together with the shock, was the cause of death. There was nothing to show that the accused acted in a rash or negligent manner, though it was a pity that prompt steps were not taken immediately after the accident to render "first aid" to the injured, whereby his life might have been saved. The accused was acquitted under section 245, Criminal Procedure Code. Government, in their application for revision, said the Magistrate held a summary trial under Chapter 22 of the Criminal Procedure Code and without apparently keeping any record of the evidence in the case, acquitted the accused. It was submitted that the Magistrate ought not to have tried the case summarily. He failed to perceive that the facts alleged constituted an offence under section 304 A of the Indian Penal Code. He ought to have considered that, even if the case fell under section 279 of the Indian Penal Code, it would be a misuse of the discretion vested in him to hold a summary trial in such a case having regard to the serious consequence that ensued. Government requested that the record be called for, the order of acquittal set aside, and a new trial be directed.

Their Lordships, after hearing the Government Pleader, rejected the application under section 439 (5), Criminal Procedure Code.

BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

The following are excerpts from the proceedings of a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, held on the 4th January.—

Submitted Trustees' Resolution dated 5th December.

Read memorandum from the Secretary to Government Marine Department, dated 20th December forwarding a copy of the Government Notification in that Department, even date, authorising Mr. Horace Mayhew Cutbush, a Master of the B.I.S.N. Company's service, to pilot vessels in the Port of Bombay.

Resolution Mr. H. M. Cutbush should be licensed accordingly.

Submitted Trustees' Resolution dated 21st November stating that the tender for the supply of sand and shingle is not accepted, and directing that rates should be obtained by special tenders as required

Read letter from the Chief Engineer, dated 22nd December forwarding the following tenders received for the supply of sand at the morter mill near the Dock during the year 1906 together with a tabulated comparison of the different tenders with the average prices paid during the current official year.—Messrs M. Roushan and Co., Mr. B. R. Soman and Mr. Siddoo Rama. reporting that with the exception of a few small trial orders lately given and satisfactorily carried out he has had no previous dealings with Messrs, Roushan and Co., but that he understands the firm have sometimes supplied the Municipality and the Public Works Department with sand, and recommending that their tender, which is a fair rate for the whole year round, be accepted.

Resolution—The tender of Messrs, Roushan and Co, is accepted.

Before the close of the meeting the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Armstrong moved the following Resolution, which was carried unanimously.

Resolution—The Trustees desire to place on record their high appreciation of the honor of Knighthood lately conferred upon their Chairman in recognition of his very valuable services to the Trade and Shipping of the Port of Bombay.

The Chairman having expressed his acknowledgments, the meeting terminated.

PILOTAGE STATEMENT.

	For week ending 29th Dec 1905.	Total from 1st April to 29th Dec 1905	For week ending 29th Dec 1904.	Total from 1st April to 29th Dec 1904
Vessels piloted into harbour.	27	893	27	878
Do. ,, out of ,, ...	23	905	28	876
Do. transported	18	617	13	678
Do. attended to............	...	46	...	57
Do. warped	1	38	...	23

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FAMINE AND SCARCITY.

WHEN we foretold famine and distress in India during the period of the Royal Visit, we were accused of pessimism and Simla closed its eyes to the prospect. But the condition of affairs to-day is even worse than we believed would actually be the case. It will surprise many of our readers to learn that there are at the present moment over a million and a half of the agricultural population for whom it has been necessary to provide relief in one form or another. Rajputana is the province most seriously affected. This week's reports show the crops in North and South Kotah to be withering for want of rain and the condition of cattle poor in six localities. In those tracts and in five others pasturage and fodder are very insufficient. Prices have risen though they were very much above normal. Water-supply is failing in parts of Kotah and Jhalawar. The widespread character of existing destitution may be gathered from the divisional reports which give the numbers of people on famine relief in Ajmer at 18,799, Merwara 16,801, Marwar 3,696, Dholpur 1,823, and Kishangarh 3,597; on test works, Marwar 1,658, Shahpura 976, Tonk 77, Jaipur, on special works, 3,812, Alwar 722, Karauli 3,436, Bharatpur, including special works 7,747; on gratuitous relief, Marwar 490; total 63,634, an increase of 2,383. It is satisfactory to know that so far only a few cases of emaciation are noticeable in Ajmer. There is no wandering or large influx of foreigners. Relief measures are adequate in the opinion of those responsible for their administration and liberal suspensions of land revenue have been granted. Public health is good, and fortunately no epidemic is prevalent. To prevent the very poor suffering from climatic influences a charitable committee is arranging to issue clothing. A similar committee is working at Jodhpur.

Latest accounts for the United Provinces report the situation to be growing more serious owing to the absence of rain and failure of canals and reservoirs. The supply from both the Jumna and Ganges is low and steadily decreasing. The Betwa river has failed utterly and the canal has had to be closed. Without rain much of the spring crops sown with the aid of irrigation must fail. Jalaun is the only famine district, but failing rain at an early date, scarcity will have to be declared in Jhansi, where the newly opened test works have attracted 3,722 workers. Test works have been opened in Hamirpur with four hundred workers; scarcity is increasing in Muttra, and in parts of Jalaun cattle are dying of starvation. Cases of emaciation are occasionally met with in villages; but otherwise the condition of the people is good. So far Jalaun is the only officially declared famine district in the United Provinces. Latest figures give 18,100 persons on relief works and 12,900 in receipt of gratuitous relief. There is no increase in numbers on test works in Jhansi and Muttra, but test works are contemplated in Cawnpore. Moreover some cases of small-pox have broken out on one of the works. In the Punjab, the outturn of the autumn crops is average to poor. Unirrigated wheat has been damaged by white ants in Gurgaon and turnips by hadda disease in Multan, where locusts have also damaged turnips and wheat. Cattle are weak for want of sufficient and proper nourishment in four districts and though turnips have increased the fodder-supply is still very scarce. The canal water is insufficient and tanks have nearly dried up in Umballa. Central India has comparatively little to complain of except in North Gwalior, where famine and scarcity prevail. Prices in most parts of India show a tendency to rise and rain is wanted more or less in every province.

Strangely enough the returns published weekly in the "Government Gazette" give us no account of the situation in this presidency. For the actual state of affairs we must go to the "Gazette of India." Standing crops are withering in parts of Broach, the Deccan, the Karnatak, Baroda, and Kolhapur. The fodder-supply is sufficient except in parts of Karachi, Larkana, Hyderabad, the Deccan, the Karnatak, Kathiawar, Baroda, Cutch, and Kolhapur. Agricultural stock is sufficient, and in good condition except in parts of Karachi, Sholapur, Satara, the Karnatak, and Kolahpur. The water-supply is adequate except in parts of Surat, the Deccan, the Karnatak, Kathiawar, Kolhapur, and Baroda. Prices have risen in four districts; have fallen in one district; and are stationary elsewhere. So much by dint of considerable searching we might have found in the provincial "Gazette," but that of India also tells us, which our own does not, that the numbers on relief for the week ending 23rd December were as follows:—On test works—Belgaum 563; the daily averages on gratuitous relief were as follows:—Ahmednagar 945; Poona 363; Bijapur 1,187; Belgaum 1,772; total 4,267. Large numbers have emigrated from British territory into Berar for harvesting, but it is stated that employment for still further numbers will not long be available, the season not being very good. The following information about the Sholapur district has been published since last week's report:—Labourers have largely emigrated; cultivators are taking or sending away superfluous cattle; the dry crops are good in one-fifth of Sholapur taluka, in a few villages of Pandharpur, and in most of Barsi. Well irrigation will give good crops of fodder and provide employment for many. People in Central and Eastern Sholapur are getting sufficient work, and there are no signs of distress. Good stores of fodder are available in many places, and surplus is coming into the market for sale. Labourers on the Railway and Public Works Department works are getting three annas daily; the few people who ask for work are unwilling to take famine wage. Baroda State has now over three thousand persons in receipt of relief. Our own official reports say not one word of any relief or test works and nothing of the emigration of labourers. The following full text of the report from Sholapur, as published in yesterday's "Government Gazette" may be taken as illustrating the utter lack of information which characterises the provincial season reports:—"Sholapur.—Rabi and garden crops in fair condition, but withering in light soil. Supply of water running short. Agricultural stock sufficient but deteriorating. Water in irrigation tanks and wells diminishing. Prices of food-grains stationary except in one taluka, where they have slightly risen. Price of fodder rising." Compare that with the extract given above from the "Gazette of India" concerning the outlook as Sholapur, and take it as a sample of the lot. Are we not justified in complaining of the inadequacy of the Bombay reports?

THE HYPOCRISY OF LIBERALISM.

THAT the Liberals are not to have it all their own way in the campaign now waging nobody knows better than the members of the new Cabinet. The Tory party of to-day is not wanting in clever electioneerers and in oratorical vigour, and already, as is evidenced by recent telegrams, Mr. Chamberlain and Mr. Balfour are hard at work in furtherance of the Tory cause. Now that they are free from the shackles of office, these two stalwarts ought to be able to put another complexion on the misleading statements made universally by the Liberals at the bye-elections and elsewhere concerning the legislation of the late Government. We say misleading statements. Mr. Chamberlain has not hesitated to call them "Colossal lies." The unscrupulousness of the Liberals in dealing with the Education Act, Chinese Labour and Fiscal Reform has never been surpassed by any set of politicians within living memory. Mr. Balfour, who is a man of moderation, has expressed himself in not less forcible language than Mr. Chamberlain on the subject of Radical misrepresentation. Now that he is free to speak his mind, Mr. Balfour is not above giving the lie to the Non-conformist. Speaking at Leamington on New Year's Day Mr. Balfour said the Liberal leaders had done a gross injury to the morals of the country by their "attrocious falsehoods" and electioneering cry of slavery, while they had not the grit to expel the coolies from South Africa. But Mr. Balfour is not alone in his exposition of Radical inconsistency. The Radical Party never was consistent. Take its Home Rule propaganda, par example. Does anybody believe that when Mr. Gladstone propounded his theory of Home Rule his object was to benefit Ireland? Does any one with a politically perceptive eye believe that in proposing Home Rule Mr. Gladstone had anything in view beyond an eye to the main chance of the Liberal cause? To capture the Irish vote has always been the object of the Gladstonian Party. It has rarely succeeded in any important measure, for no Irish politician requires to be told that no matter how specious the Radical gentlemen in the House may be to the Irish members, the latter know that Irishmen have no more bigoted enemies in England than the mouthpieces of Radicalism in the English provinces. The Irishmen who want Home Rule are Roman Catholics; the Radicals of England are Non-conformist, and as little in their conception of religion as in their conception of Empire. There is not an iota of desire amongst English Radicals to see a Parliament on St. Stephen's Green. Yet year in and year out they have offered lip service to the Irishmen in order to capture their vote in the House of Commons. Their game has been so hypocritical and so patent in its hypocrisy that the Irish members have frequently shewn their disgust for Radical manœuvres of this kind by publicly repudiating the Radicals in the House of Commons. Mr. Redmond too has told the Radical leaders that Irishmen are under no obligations whatever to the Liberal party, and have no sort of bond or affinity with it which does not exist equally between the Irish and the English Conservatives. Home Rule was a catchpenny measure from first to last.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

IT is inevitable that the Prince of Wales should do many things in India in the exact manner in which they were done by his father, but it is a singular coincidence he should be the first to be made a Doctor of Laws under the new Act, whilst the King-Emperor was the first under the Old Act. The Royal family have been granted honorary degrees by almost all the Universities in the Empire and it is quite as it should be that the University of the Capital of India should have the honour of the name of the future King upon its roll. The ceremony at the Senate Hall was the last of the series arranged at Calcutta and the remainder of the time was spent quietly. The journey to Darjeeling having been cancelled their Royal Highnesses visited Barrackpore and spent a quiet week end there prior to returning to Calcutta and the embarkation for Burma. The departure was intentionally of the quietest nature. Lord and Lady Minto with a small party from Government House went on board the launch shortly after breakfast on Tuesday and bade farewell to their Royal Highnesses who immediately after set out for the "Renown" which was waiting for them at the mouth of the River. Their stay in Burma can hardly be as comfortable as that in Calcutta which has just ended, but the short sea voyage will give them a rest which, when repeated on their leaving Rangoon for Madras will have the effect of preparing them for the last part of the tour with its arduous part in Southern India.

SIR PHILIP HUTCHINS, member of the Indian Council, arrives in Calcutta to-day from Burma.

The P. & O. Company's s. s. Caledonia with the homeward Mails of the 6th instant arrived at Aden at 10 p. m. on Janaury 10th.

THE carpet industry, which was started in the jails of Mysore State, has now become distinctly profitable, and the looms are always full.

SEVERE winter weather is reported from Afghanistan and also from the Chitral region, though the cold is not yet so intense as it was last year.

THE Viceroy will probably visit Agra and Delhi in the spring, and may possibly proceed to Peshawar also. He will arrive in Simla in the third week of April.

THE number of chests of opium removed from warehouse during the week ending January 9, was 561 1/2 all of which was shipped to China per s.s. "Delhi."

THE cubical system, to which modern criminologists attach great importance, is to be introduced into the Lahore Central Jail at an estimated cost of Rs. 10,000.

H. R. H. THE PRINCE OF WALES has been pleased to accept a copy of Benares, the Sacred City by Mr. E. B. Havell, Principal of the Calcutta School of Art.

OUR Calcutta correspondent learns that the damage done at the disastrous fire at Simla, amounted to over five lakhs of rupees. By some it is estimated at double that amount.

THE Transport Ionian from Southampton is due to arrive at Bombay, on the 19th instant with the second East Yorkshire Regiment, also a number of officers and ladies connected with other Corps.

IT is notified that in view of the scarcity of fodder in the Belgaum, Bijapur and Dharwar districts, the rate of cart hire in those districts has been raised to annas two per mile, instead of anna one and pies six, until further orders.

CANDIDATES for two of the Sir Mangaldas Nathubhai Scholarships which fall to be awarded this year, are invited to send in their applications to the Registrar not later than Wednesday, the 21st February. The Scholarships are open to all Hindu Graduates of the Bombay University.

THE Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has received a wire from the Head Office at Hongkong, stating that subject to audit the Dividend for the half year ended 31st December 1905 will probably be 35 shillings; added to the Silver Reserve Fund, 10 lakhs carried forward for the next half year 17 lakhs. The bonus in addition to Dividend will be 20 sillings.

THE approximate statement of Traffic of the Barsi Light Railway Company, Limited, (21·59 miles open) for the eight days ending 31st December 1905, amounted to Rs. 3,013, being a decrease of Rs 1,921 on the corresponding week of last year. Total earnings from 1st January to 31st December were Rs. 2,14,885, being an increase of Rs. 53,813 on the corresponding period of last year.

MESSERS THACKER AND CO., Limited have sent a notification to the Master of the Bombay Trades' Association to the effect that owing to the inconvenience they have experienced in connection with the alteration of the method of reckoning time, they will revert to the old hours. therefore they will open at 9-30 a. m. Standard Time and close at 6-30 p.m. On Saturdays they will open at 9 o'clock and close at 2 Standard Time.

HIS HONOUR the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal has received the following from Real Admiral Poe:—"Before leaving Calcutta, I wish to express to your Honour, on behalf of the Royal Navy, my best thanks for the generous hospitality and entertainment accorded not only to the officers and men of the "Renown," who came to Calcutta to take part in the Proclamation Parade, but to all of us during our visit to Calcutta."

BY a happy thought, and with the alert and gracious consent of their Royal Highnesses, the donations to "Capital's" Toy Fund received from the Prince and Princess and their Staff are to be devoted to supplying the Tibetan followers of His Holiness the Tashi Lama with toys to take back with them to their children in Tibet; and these toys will be accompanied with a plentiful supply of the portraits of the Prince and Princess of Wales. This, says our contemporary, is a diplomatic stroke of loving-kindness which will penetrate further than the hearts of the parents and the children who receive them.

EARLY in 1905, says the "Times of Ceylon," we ventured to opine that a total Customs Revenue of a crore of rupees was well within sight, and, judging by a perusal of the returns already available, we have no doubt our prediction will prove correct. "With one or two trivial exceptions, our exports are certainly well in advance of 1904, and we shall not be surprised to find a very marked increase in the duty collected from imports. Be that as it may, the feeling is general that the Island has made another step forward in its trading record, and when we are able to peruse the collective figures, we have little hesitation in saying that we shall find the common opinion verified by actual results."

MR. D. HOOPER, of the Indian Museum, writes as follows to "Max" of "Capital":—"The fibre and plant sent with your letter is that of the Dekkan Hemp (Hibiscus Cannabinus). It is known in Madras as "gogu," and in Bengal as "mesta pat." The fibre is spun and woven into gunnies in Vizagapatam where it is know as Vizagapatam or Bimlipatam jute. The plant grows in Madras, Bengal Central Provinces and Bombay. Bimlipatam jute is now well known on the London market. It is considered by experts to be in no way inferior to Calcutta jute and in fact to have a better colour than average samples of the Bengal fibre. It is a fibre deserving of attention and will command a good market if it is carefully prepared."

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending 9th Jan. was 780, giving a death-rate of 49·38 per annum per thousand as against 57·56 the corresponding period of last year, and 62·38, the average over the past five years. Of the total number 60 died from fevers, 17, plague; 6, small-pox; 2, measles; 5, leprosy; 37, phthisis; 35, diseases of the nervous system; 232, affections of the respiratory organs; 63, diarrhœa; 18, dysentery; 43, still-born; 143 old age and debility; 13, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 19; Brahmin, 23; Bhattia, 8; Hindu of other caste, 400; Hindu low caste, 88; Musalman, 142; Parsee, 29; Jew, 3; Native Christian, 20; Eurasian, 3; and European, 2. The total number of births was 410 as against 378, the corresponding period of last year; and 334 the average over the past five years.

POETRY, PROSE AND PICTURES.

TULSI a Tale of the Indian Famine is the name of an unpretending poem in blank verse published at the Pioneer Press, Allahabad. The young poet—his youth is presumed from internal evidence—draws the picture of a happy ryot's home, Vishnu who lived upon the fertile lands of Narmad.

"A farmer, stout of heart,
An unproductive slip of rugged ground
Was all his virtuous parents left to him
Besides a virtuous training fear of God,
A sense of self-respect and piety
Maintained with strictness scarce unheard of yet."

To him came Tulsi, a helpmate in the course of the usual family matrimonial arrangements of the people, and Vishnu and Tulsi lived and loved and were happy. The big man, the Chief of the hamlet, saw Tulsi and loved her but she, being pure and perfect, did not lend her ear to his prayer, but cured the Chief, and brought him back to tread

The path of virtue as of yore; and where
In him a baneful passion ruled, now rose
A gentle peace and holy resignation."

But famine and pestilence stalked through the land, and Vishnu saw his work in the fields bring less return every season and at last none at all: his store of grain grew less. Two children had been added to his precious household treasures, and he saw himself daily less able to support their young lives. His boy died of plague, and grief was added to hunger. One morning, Tulsi, who knew of the creation of the Famine Camp, stole out while husband and child slept, to make her way thither and bring back relief. She reached the spot only to find the Camp had moved to another hamlet, she

Went bravely onward once again to meet
With disappointment till she almost lost
All hopes of succour for her wants.

But the help she got was too little to save even one life, and she begged and prayed in vain for some grain to take home to her starving dear ones. She hastened back, keeping untouched the dole she was given for herself, but found that Death had been before her.

And realising, with a bitter moan,
Prostrate she fell and lost all consciousness!
Then God was moved to pity at her grief,
And sent down Mercy who with gentle hand
Touched Tulsi's brow and made the past to her,
So full of happiness and misery,
Almost a blank.

The moral of the tale is that the rules in Famine Camps should be elastic, and the exercise of a wise discretion should be possible in extreme cases such as Tulsi's.

THE DECEMBER STUDIO is a specially fine number. It has eight supplementary plates, reproducing, either in photogravure or colours, pictures by Franz von Lenbach, John Hassall, Carolus Duran, A. Watteau, Edith Helen Adie and F. Kirk Shaw. Professor H. von Herkomer contributes an appreciation of Franz bon Lenbach whose talent two of the fine supplementary plates illustrate. Next comes an article on "The Posters, Paintings and Illustrations of John Hassall" by F. Martin Wood, with ten exemplars of his work. That expert, A. S. Levetus, writes on "Austrian Peasant Lace" many specimens being exquisitely reproduced in support of the text. E. G. Halton's third contribution is his last in regard to the splendid "Staats Forbes" art collection and thirteen beautiful pictures illustrate some of the many varieties of painters' work to be found in it. Domestic Architecture has an article devoted to it with the outward semblance of a number of cottages, two larger houses and their plans. The pen and ink work of Jessie M. King, here described and much of it reproduced, displays the imaginative side of this artist, as well as the fidelity to detail which characterises all that she does. Many of the sketches are from Avignon in depicting which Miss King's soul must have revelled. Another woman artist, Elizabeth Nourse, an American, is the subject of an interesting paper. Her pictures here given are mostly charming French family groups or street processions of a type that catches with sympathetic genius the traits of the individual. Brittany figures largely in her landscapes. Her fleecy clouds float past, and the imparts of the life-giving breeze to the banners that are unfurled in her moving pictures. She studied for years in Paris and has thus enriched her technique, but has never weakened the individual character of her painting, or altered it The series of articles on the technical hints that may be drawn from past masters of painting takes Watteau's work for a text in this number. "Studio-Talk" is as usual rich in examples of the doings of artists everywhere.

THE BENEFACTOR, by Ford Madox Hueffer, (Geo - Bell and Sons) is a remarkably clever story of a man who helped every literary individual he came across. His desire to hold out a hand to assist a fellow-being across the mire of failure was, unfortunately for himself, much stronger than his discrimination of the character of those he befriended and the result is that every one whom he has rescued either flung him aside, or abused his goodness when he reached firm ground. George Moffat, the benefactor, is a skilfully and delicately drawn character his brother Gregory, though not the central figure is almost as carefully portrayed. All the proteges and their different ways of throwing off the incubus—which they certainly never willingly assumed—of gratitude for the invaluable service George did them at critical moments are depicted in full relief and with singular accuracy. The one solitary creature who saw George's nobility of mind, gave him an affection which he dare not accept though it was the one recognition for which he was yearning. The writer of this book has the rare gift of bringing out clearly the salient points of each character and conveying the rest by a clever play of side-lights. The reader cannot help feeling affection, esteem and deep pity for George Moffat and recognising the fidelity to the weaknesses of human nature detected in those who despised while they utilised him

LIEUT. GULLIVAR-JONES, by Edwin L. Arnold, Geo.-Bell and Sons.) This is a most amusing account of a visit to Mars made by "a plain prosaic lieutenant in the Republican Service" on which he started from New York, the very last place in creation "for the supernatural, be the time never so fit for witch-riding and the wind in the chimney-stacks never so much like the last gurgling cries of throttled men." This young naval officer was wafted willy-nilly on something very like a magic carpet, not to the seventh heaven, but to Mars, and the experiences he there went through are told in the most entertaining fashion, making excellent fooling. He settles down pretty well to a spell of strange adventures, and chums up fairly comfortably with the cheery Martians. He found many customs familiar to dwellers on the old-fashioned Earth were in favour on Mars, with some variations, and he joined with a will in the diversions, the dangers and the flirtations incidental to a residence in a planet where the inhabitants were all light-hearted and irresponsible beings. Before events showed him the advisability of again confiding himself to the magic carpet and wishing himself back in New York, he had taken part in the sundry thrilling and varied adventures, which are here related in the most amusing fashion.

RICHARD HARTLEY, PROSPECTOR, by Douglas Blackburn (Wm. Blackwood and Sons) is as much the story of Graham Wilmot in the struggle he went through on the weary Rand as of the rough-hewn, strange man whose friendship he gained, and whose rugged, erratic character is well-depicted in these pages. There is something too grim in the straits to which Wilmot is driven and in the lawless venture, which Hartly suggests and gets him to join in. This scheme gets Wilmot into terrible difficulties, describing which lets the reader into many of the extraordinary divergences from the straight road familiar on the Rand. Life in Pretoria and in Johannesburg had its lurid side at all times and never more than in the months immediately following the collapse of the Jameson raid. The pictures of a Boer interior and of the attitude of the Boers to Rooineck settlers or visitors are vivid in the extreme. Altogether the story is both interesting and picturesque, without being suggestive of the gold or diamond fields as places for a man to seek his fortune in, and to keep at the same time his hands or even his gloves clean.

SCURRILOUS ELECTIONEERING.

DISGRACEFUL LEAFLETS CIRCULATED.

INAUDIBLE SPEECHES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, JAN. 11.

The Electoral Campaign continues most active and the speeches of the candidates are of the most heated description.

Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman spoke yesterday at Liverpool, Chester, Wrexham and Shrewsbury.

He was shouted down at Shrewsbury by a group of youths cheering Mr. Chamberlain and singing the National Anthem.

Mr. Lyttelton at Leamington attempted to address a gathering yesterday, but was unable to speak owing to the uproar.

Mr. Balfour spoke at two meetings held or Manchester, but was subjected to a persistent heckling.

He referred to a scandalous leaflet which is being circulated, accusing his ancestor of malpractices as a contractor in India and described it to be the lowest depth of political meanness.

Mr. Haldane speaking at Dunbar said that an efficient army was necessary to maintain peace.

RISING IN THE CAUCASUS

The Russian Crisis.

LONDON, JAN. 10.

The Viceroy of the Caucasus reports to the Tsar the extension of the revolution in that quarter. The rebels have seized the railways and organised a general strike.

A fresh agrarian movement has taken place in the districts of Jovi and Dushat and martial law has been proclaimed.

Fighting between the Tartars and Americans at Elizabetspol continues.

LOAN NEGOTIATIONS.

It is reported in Paris that a syndicate of banks has agreed to advance to Russia one hundred million roubles in gold at 5 1/2 per cent. repayable out of the next loan issued in France.

TRIAL OF NAVAL MUTINEERS.

The trial of 268 of the Sevastopol Naval mutineers begins at Kertch in a fortnight. The most famous of the St. Petersburg advocates will defend them.

GREAT AMERICAN HOTEL FIRE.

Eleven Killed.

LONDON, JAN. 10

Eleven persons were killed and many injured in a hotel fire at Minneapolis.

Mr. Davidson, the American Consul in Manchuria, was rescued, but he is in a critical condition.

BARON HAYASHI.

Early Departure for Japan.

Baron Hayashi sails for Japan at the end of March next on leave of absence.

VESUVIUS IN ERUPTION.

Railway in Danger.

LONDON, JAN. 11.

A volcanic eruption of Vesuvius and Etna is taking place. The lava is pouring down alongside the Vesuvius funicular railway which is seriously damaged.

A slight shock of earthquake was felt at Vienna to-day.

THE FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Everyone "Pleased."

Each Party interprets the results of the Senatorial elections in France favourably to itself. The main feature is the election of two Socialists to the Senate for the first time, despite the defeat of M. Jaures and his immediate colleagues.

THE ROYAL MISSION TO JAPAN.

Farewell Lunch to Prince Arthur.

The King to-day gave a farewell lunch to Prince Arthur of Connaught and his suite, prior to their departure to-morrow for Japan to present the Order of the Garter to the Mikado.

THE WAR STORES ENQUIRY.

First Result of the Court Martial.

Sergeant-Major Hilton, Army Service Corps, who was tried by court martial for desertion, has been reduced to the ranks.

THE TEA DUTY AGITATION.

Hopes of Success.

The anti-tea duty agitation will be continued until the budget appears.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

A cable to the "Englishman" from London, published to-day, states that the Anti-Tea Duty League is continuing its exertions in connection with the elections and that Mr. Herbert Compton, the Secretary, is confident that the result will be the reduction of, at least, a penny per pound in the duty. Further subscriptions are badly needed.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.

Delegates Arrive at Algeciras.

ANTI-GERMAN FEELING.

LONDON, JAN. 10.

The delegates for the Morocco Conference have begun arriving at Algeciras.

LONDON, JAN. 11.

A section of the Italian press is markedly anti-German on the subject of Morocco,

The "Secolo" declares that Germany despite her alliances on paper is isolated and can no longer dictate her despotic will to the other Chancelleries.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

The Secret Agreement.

The "Daily Telegraph" publishes a tetegram from its Tokio correspondent stating that the secret Chino-Japanese agreement which has been concluded between the two countries precludes foreign interference in the Manchurian railways.

DEATH OF LADY BARROW.

"The Beautiful Miss Croker"

The death is announced of Lady Barrow, the subject of Lawrence's painting, "The beautiful Miss Croker."

THE CALCUTTA HEALTH OFFICER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

Dr. Nield Cook, the Health Officer of Calcutta, has been selected to proceed for two months to the Straits Settlements to advise the Singapore Authorities in connection with the high mortality, in that City. The Calcutta Corporation, at their meeting, yesterday, agreed to his departure.

THE AGRICULTURAL AND RAILWAY CONFERENCES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

The Board of Agriculture Meeting, under Mr. Sly, opens at Pusa, next Monday, when all the Provisional Directors of Agriculture are to attend. The principal business to be transacted is the arrangement of programmes of work for the coming years.

The managers of practically all the railways in India attend the Railway Conference which is about to commence its sittings here. A number of the traffic managers will also be present.

OFFICIAL CHANGES.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

Mr. John Beaton, the newly-appointed Inspector General of Irrigation, has arrived and taken over his duties.

Mr. Stewart Wilson, who has been on special duty in England, in connection with the amalgamation of the Indian Postal and Telegraph Departments, returns to India in March, when he acts as Director-General of the Post Office, vice Sir Arthur Fanshawe.

WEDDING IN CALCUTTA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

Miss Dorothy Harris, daughter of Lieut.-Colonel Harris, I. M. S., was married at the Cathedral here, yesterday, to Mr. J. E. Jackson, well-known socially in Calcutta, as Honorary Secretary of the Saturday Club.

THE SWADESHISM AND BENGAL PARTITION.

ADDRESSES TO THE VICEROY.

SEVERE LESSON FOR BOYCOTTING PLEADERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

The Hon. Mr. Surendranath Banerjee and other members of the India Association present to Lord Minto to-morrow an address dealing with the Swadeshi and anti-partition movement in Bengal. The Marwari Association also present an address.

The two pleaders, charged with interfering with the sale of Liverpool salt in the Bhola Case in Eastern Bengal, have been convicted and sentenced, one to ten days' rigorous imprisonment with a four hundred rupees fine, the other to one month's imprisonment with a one thousand rupees fine; bail, however, has been allowed pending appeal.

PRESIDENCY RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

TO BE HELD AT POONA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, JAN. 11.

The Bombay Presidency Rifle Association central meeting will be held in Poona, from 30th January to 8th February. A Camp will be pitched by the 28th instant for the accommodation of British and Native Troops and Volunteers. Captain Burton, 84th Russell's Infantry, is appointed Camp Commandant; Lieutenant Comyn, Connaught Rangers, is to be Camp Quarter-Master; Lieutenant Martin, 84th Russell's is Statistics Officer, and Captain Hapwood, 33rd Cavalry is to be Range Officer.

THE TASHI LAMA LEAVES FOR TIBET,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 10.

The Tashi Lama left Calcutta to-day by train as arranged. A few officials and others assembled at Sealdah station to bid him farewell; most of his followers have also left.

VIRULENT SMALL POX AT CALCUTTA.

A somewhat serious small pox epidemic has appeared in Calcutta which had 61 deaths last week and some six times that number of cases.

BANK OF BENGAL.

The Bank of Bengal made no change to-day in demand rate which remains at eight per cent.

THE ROYAL TOUR.

H. R. H. AND THE CALCUTTA POLICE.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JAN. 11.

A cordial letter of appreciation of the services of the Calcutta Police during the Royal Visit, has been written to the Commissioner of Police here, by Sir Walter Lawrence on behalf of His Royal Highness, and silver medals of the Victorian Order have been presented to Superintendent Haultain and Inspector Hanson, while Inspector Benode Kumar Gupta has received a special medal. The Prince has presented Rs. 1,500 to the Cathedral Charities here.

THE PRINCE AND THE MAHOMEDAN LITERARY SOCIETY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

The following correspondence has been sent us for publication:—

16, Taltollah, Calcutta, the 5th Jan. 1906.

To Sir Walter Lawrence, K.C.I.E., etc.

Sir,—I am directed by the Committee of the Mahomedan Literary Society of Calcutta, which comprises Members of the Mahomedan Community from various parts of India to request the favour of your kindly laying before their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales a message of most cordial, sincere and loyal welcome on their visit to the Metropolis of the British Empire in India.

The feelings of unfeigned joy and pleasure of Mahomedans at this gracious advent of their Royal Highnesses in their midst, is intensified by the recollection of the fact, that his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales is also accompanied by his August Consort and they rejoice that they are enabled to enjoy the privileges of doing homage not only to the Heir to the Throne, but also to that August Princess whom they all revere and adore as their future Queen and Empress.

More than a century and a half have not elapsed since India first saw the beginnings of British supremacy, and all these long and momentous years have become associated with a succession of brilliant achievements which stand unparalleled in the history of the world. While the triumphs of war of these early British heroes on many a hard fought field have proved to the world the sterling qualities of British valour and manhood, history records with admiration the nobler victories of a race of British statesmen whose single-minded devotion to duty, sense of justice and wise conciliation have cemented the many creeds and castes of India into a loyal and contented nation. The India that is presented to the gaze of their Royal Highnesses to-day is a unique Empire enshrined in the hearts of millions of people, an Empire broadbased on the will of a happy and contented nation, and upheld no more by force of arms than by sentiments of gratitude and loyalty inspired by deeds of beneficence and justice tempered with mercy.

The triumphal progress of their Royal Highnesses for the past month and a half has evoked sincere and loyal enthusiasm in the minds of his Majesty's Indian subjects and everywhere their Royal Highnesses must have received abundant proofs of that devoted loyalty and fervent attachment to the throne on the part of the people, which is at once the admiration and envy of all other nations in the civilized world.

Thirty years ago, when his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales's August Father, our Gracious King-Emperor, made his historic tour through India, the Mohamedan Literary Society approached his Majesty with a humble address of welcome in which a reference was made to a "re-animated sense of personal fealty" to the Royal Family, which had dawned over all classes of people. It is with sincere pleasure that the Committee can now respectfully assure their Royal Highnesses that this evergrowing sense of "personal fealty" is at the present moment rendering their Royal Highnesses as our future King and Queen, the centre of a world of devotion and allegiance, which is becoming intensified day by day.

However poor and inadequate the expression, the Committee respecfully beg their Royal Highnesses to be graciously pleased to accept this humble tribute of sincere and lasting homage from the Mahomedan Community of Bengal and they earnestly implore the Almighty Disposer of Events to shower untold blessings on their Royal Highnesses and their Illustriyus Family.—I have the honour to be Sir, your most obedient servant, (Sd.) A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, Honorary Secretary, Mahomedan Literary Society of Calcutta.

Prince of Wales's Camp, India, 8th Jan., 1906.

Dear Sir,—I am directed by the Prince of Wales to forward you the enclosed reply to the letter written by you to Sir Walter Lawrence in the name of the Mohamedan Literary Society of Calcutta,—I am, dear Sir, yours very faithfully (Sd.) Arthur Bigge.

A. F. M. Abdur Rahman, Esq., Honorary Secretary. Mohamedan Literary Society, of Calcutta 16, Toltollah, Calcutta.

The Princess of Wales and I are greatly touched by the kind words of your letter of the 5th instant to Sir Walter Lawrence, and we sincerely thank the members of the Mohamedan Literary Society of Calcutta for the hearty welcome to the Metropolis of the British Empire in India to which it gives expression.

"As you truly say, we have been received everywhere throughout our interesting journey with sincere and affectionate enthusiasm, and have received unbounded proofs of devoted loyalty to the Crown. And it is especially gratifying to hear from the Mahomedan Literary Society, of Calcutta, that the reanimated sense of personal fealty to our Family, which the Society thirty years ago assured my dear father had dawned over all classes is now so amply extended to us.

To receive from such an important community an expression of grateful appreciation of British Rule over an Empire broadbased on the will of a happy and contented people, and a general recognition of that unity of races which it has accomplished, is an assurance which we shall always value. It will inspire an ever-recurring and refreshing thought, and serve to knit our hearts still more closely to the peoples of India in days to come when thousands of miles separate us from this great Continent."

"Calcutta, 8th Jan., 1906.

The following officers are appointed Supply and Transport officers 6th class: Lieutenants Boyce, 48th Pioneers, Morgan 43rd Erinpura Regiment, Pearse 39th C.I. Horse Rice 103rd Mahratta Light Infantry, Riddell 1st York and Lancaster Regiment and Shine 116th Mahrattas.

Major-Generals Haig I. G. of Cavalry makes the following tour this month:—Bangalore 5th to 7th, Secunderabad 8th to 16th, Basur and Bhikum 17th to 23rd, Aurangabad 24th to 27th and Mhow 28th.

ROUND-THE-WORLD MOTORISTS.

(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, JAN. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Glidden have arrived here and have covered 3,6 5 miles in India, and 28,735 miles round the World. They leave for Allahabad on Friday.

FOLLOWING on the example of the London and North Western Railway (England) and the Caledonian Railway (Scotland) in equipping all the West Coast Joint Rolling Stock (London to Glasgow) with Stone's system of Electric Lighting and Ventilating, the Great Northern and North Eastern Railways (England) who jointly own the rolling stock of the East Coast route to Scotland, (London, Edinburgh and Glasgow,) have given orders for the equipment of the whole of this rolling stock with Stone's system of Electric Lighting and Ventilating, and accordingly the stock already fitted with gas is being dismantled of the gas fittings, and Stone's system of Electric Lighting and Ventilating substituted; moreover new rolling stock is being equipped with Stone's Electrical system instead of gas.

DEATH AND THE PEERAGE.

CORONETS WHICH CAME TOO LATE.

SOME RITCHIE REFLECTIONS.

By ARLEY.

THE death of Lord Ritchie but a month after the formal announcement of his ennoblement, prompts the question, Was he or was he not a peer? In future he will, of course, always be referred to as Lord Ritchie, but it is very doubtful whether, at the moment of his demise, the patent of his nobility had been engrossed. Such haste to recover the fees consequent upon the raising of a Privy Councillor to the House of Lords would not, of course, be likely, and considering the extremely busy time Heralds and Pursuivants have had lately, it is also probable that at the time of his death Lord Ritchie had not been able even to decide upon the supporters to his new coat of arms.

However that may be Lord Ritchie is not by any means the first distinguished man to receive ennoblement and to pass away before his new coronet could be made. The last instance was that of the famous Sir Francis Jeune, who, on his retirement from his position as President of the Probate, Admiralty and Divorce Division was ennobled by the title of Lord St. Heliers, but died before the patent which was in progress of creating him a peer could be completed.

Another famous instance of a peer who never wore a coronet was that of Sir Frederick Leighton, P. R. A., who was made a baronet just twenty years ago. A few years later Sir Frederick was elevated to the House of Lords. He was the first artist ever ennobled, but his death occurring with painful suddenness shortly after the announcement of the conferment of the honour, it may be said that no artist has ever worn a coronet earned by his own genius.

An earlier instance of death intervening at the moment when the ambition of a life-time was at the moment of realisation was in the case of the son of Lord Chancellor Hardwicke, Mr. Yorke. He was also made Lord Chancellor, but died almost immediately, while the patent of his peerage was being engrossed. In his case the patent was never completed and the title remains unrecorded.

Lord Chancellor Hardwicke's son was not the only instance of a famous member of this political family succumbing with startling suddenness. Only a year or so ago the then Earl of Hardwicke, a handsome young fellow who at the age of thirty-seven had been in the Diplomatic Service, on the London County Council and Under-Secretary for India in Parliament, passed away, his death coming as a shock to the nation.

A more romantic instance of death successfully fighting the Heralds was that of the dignity which King George the First had decided to confer upon the mistress of his old age. In his dotage the King had become enamoured of Miss Brett, who was the eldest daughter of the repudiated wife of the Earl of Macclesfield. Walpole says that Miss Brett was very handsome, but dark enough by her eyes,complexion and hair,for a Spanish beauty. King George had already made his two German friends Duchess of Kendal and Countess of Darlington, and just as he was about to reward pretty Miss Brett with a coronet his Majesty died before it could be granted.

THE CATHOLIC TERCENTENARY.

FESTIVAL AT MYLAPORE.

MADRAS, JAN. 10.

Yesterday evening at the tercentenary celebration at Mylapore, Madras, Monsignor Zaleski, the Papal Delegate, unveiled the portrait of Pope Paul V., the founder of the Diocese. In requesting the Papal Delegate to do so the Bishop of Mylapore said that three hundred years of prayer and preaching, and three hundred years of Christianity and civilisation in the history of this ancient,but heathen land, was, indeed, consoling for a visitor of the time to look back upon.

Addresses were sent to his Holiness Pope Pius X, asking for a special blessing for the Diocese, and to his Majesty King Carlos of Portugal, patron of the Diocese. In the night a most imposing procession went from Luz to San Thome Cathedral, all the Prelates taking part in the following order:—

His Excellency Monsignor Zaleski, Archbishop Colgan, Dr. Bernard Carmelete, Archbishop of Verapoly, Dr. Pereira, Bishop of Trichinopoly, Dr. Clero Salesian, Bishop of Dacca, Dr. Cavadini, Jesuit Bishop of Mangalore, Dr. Parembil (Syro-Malabar) Vicar Apostolic of Ernakulam, Dr. Mennacherry (Syro-Malabar) Vicar Apostolic of Trichur, Dr. Vigano, Bishop of Hyderabad, Dr. DeCastro, Bishop of Mylapore, Dr. Xavier, Bishop of Coimbatore, and Dr. Basle, Bishop-elect of Bangalore.

At the invitation of his Excellency Lord Ampthill all the Prelates attended Government House this morning.

"LOOPING THE LOOP."

OPENING NIGHT OF HARMSTON'S CIRCUS SEASON.

Harmston's Circus presented as pretty a spectacle last night when their season of six weeks commenced as one could wish to see. The big tent was packed, and it was difficult to find an unoccupied seat. The whole show went with a swing from the first number to the wind up with the startling in which the "one and only Diavolo" nightly "shakes dice with death?" All the items were exceptionally good, and it is difficult to pick and chose in the excellent programme set before an uncommonly appreciative audience. The entertainment opens with the turn of the Burmese elephant, who was not too generously treated by the animal's trainer, but the item made a good opening. Mr. John Clarke's "double pirrouette" on horse back was also a daring item, and elicited no end of appreciation. Mr. Alfred Clarke's Indian club swinging was remarkably well done, while the clowns meanwhile kept up an incessant round of laughter. Captain Lindo's little trot round with the "untameable forest bred lion Monarch" had a dare-devil smack about it that greatly excited the audience, and his pluck was testified to by a silence on the part of the audience more eloquent than words. The feats of the Brothers Durwal on five horizontal bars was a turn that Barnum and Bailey's could scarcely have excelled for cleverness. But perhaps the most hazardous tricks of the evening were the "double Jokey" turn of John Frederick and Alfred Clarke. One of the brothers came what for a moment looked like a terrible cropper, but he scrambled up none the worse and went through with the performance with a spirit as truly British as his name. The evening wound up with Diavola. It must be admitted that his feat struck us being less hazardous than some of the previous turns, but it was sufficiently daring to keep the house full till well after one o'clock this morning. "Looping the loop" is nevertheless bound to be a great attraction to Bombay for weeks to come. In fine, a better circus programme than Harmston's could not be seen in all the British Empire.

THE BROKERS' STRIKE.

SUCCESSFUL DEPUTATION TO THE POLICE.

IN consequence of the arrests made by Inspector Hemsworth and the subsequent conviction of the nine native brokers who were charged at the Esplanade Police Court and fined Rs. 25 each as a deterrent punishment for obstructing the public thoroughfare at Dalal Street in the course of their business negotiations, these men immediately on being fined went back to the Share Market and brought about a suspension of all share and stock business in Bombay.

Telegraphic messages were sent to the Calcutta Native Share Market and to other important business centres to suspend business at the various places. Whether these telegraphic messages were productive of any result has not yet been ascertained, Business in Bombay in the Share market, however, remained at a standstill till yesterday morning, the strike commencing from the afternoon of the 9th instant.

A deputation, representing the Bombay brokers and consisting of Mr. Shapurji Bharucha, Chairman, Bombay Brokers' Association, Mr. Dadiba Merwanjee Dalal, of Messrs. Merwanjee and Sons, exchange and bullion brokers, and Mr. Rustomji Maneckji Engineer, approached the Commissioner of Police on Wednesday asking that Dalal Street should not be treated as a public thoroughfare and that the police should not effect such prosecutions. Mr. W. L. Souter, Acting Commissioner of Police, asked the deputation to call again in the afternoon. In the meanwhile the Commissioner of Police accompanied the deputation to the Share Market. Accordingly the deputation interviewed the Commissioner in the afternoon and the conference lasted about a couple of hours.

The Commissioner of Police after hearing the arguments advanced by the deputation as well as those of the police officers of the section concerned assured the representative brokers that in future no prosecutions of brokers alleged to be obstructing the thoroughfare in Dalal Street would be conducted without his specific sanction. The deputation was satisfied with the decision and business in the Share Market has been resumed.

THE BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY.

"THE BELLE OF NEW YORK."

THERE remains little or nothing to be said about the Belle of New York. How many years it has run many people would fear to say, for, for many, it seems to date back to quite youthful days. But however many years it may be, there is always something exhilarating in it. Last evening at the Novelty it went with the life which has made it so popular and the story of the Salvation lassie proved as interesting as ever. Mr. Harry Cole would make any part amusing, and he did not fail as Ichabod Bronson. But the centre of attraction was Miss Georgie Corlass as "the Belle of New York"—and a most delightful belle two of anywhere, after whom any one might reasonably "Follow on." One of the chief characters of the play is "Mamie Clancy" which part Miss Elsie Probyn tackled with a will, whilst Miss Wilmot Karkeek was excellent as Cora Angelique." Mr. Duncan Munro essayed the by no means easy part of the "Police Lunatic" with complete success and Mr. Ernest Attwell as the tenor did well as Harry Bronson.

To night "The Duchess of Danzic" offers much quaint humour of the quieter kind whilst to-morrow there will be two performances of "Aladdin." Altogether the pantomime promises to be a thorough success. The production, which is almost identical with that which is being played at the chief theatre in Birmingham at present is from the pen of Mr. J. Hickory Wood, chief of pantomime writers and there is plenty of "local" fun to brighten it up. Unlike many of its kind it follows the new rule, and is in prose so giving a better chance to the humorists, whilst Mr. Warwick Majorr who is responsible for the additional lyrics and music has worked hard to ensure success. Miss Corlass appears as principal boy and Miss Norra Morra as the Princess. An excellent couple whilst Mr. Harry Cole and Mr. Lester respectively do the "Widow Twankey" and, Harry Tate's part. "Abanazar. Not the least interesting part of the performance will be the singing of two of this year's pantomime songs "Can't yer see I want yer to be ma girl" by Frank Leo and "If you want to have a row wait till the sun shines." Altogether the booking justifies the expectations.

AWAKE! ARISE!

Only a horse to be driven:
Clatter him down the road.
Who cares for the pains he suffers,
Or the strain of weary load?
Wealth sits behind him triumphant;
Fast must the chariot go;
Crœsus—or would be a Crœsus,
Revelling in pomp and show.

What of the horse? Oh! what matter?
Spavined and panting for breath:
Money has bought him; what matter
If he is driven to death?
Who cares for what he may suffer?
Bridle him—flog him along.
Stumbles?—a lash on the withers;
Weak?—let the whip make him strong.

Here in the mightiest city,
"Primus in Indis," Bombay,
Cruelty wages with splendour,
Brutality rules the day.
Civilisation—where art thou?
Law—Is thine arm stiff and cold?
Voices of Justice why silent
When stories like these are told?

Only a horse—but a hero:
Driven by man—yet a beast:
Surely the driven are greatest,
Surely the drivers are least?
All they can do is to suffer
Dumbly, nor utter a cry;
No man to ease them of burden;
All they can do is to die.

Homes for the orphans and widows
Of those who have made them bleed—
Hospitals for sick and dying:
For them no friend in their need—
He, who made man, made them also;
Let us forget if we can,
God is the God of the creature,
If God is the God of man.

Old years are dead, let the new one
Bury the past out of sight.
Bring forth a new heart of pity,
Englishmen, rise in your might.
Countrymen! rise up to action,
Others will follow your lead:
Pity's not lost to our nation;
Rise men of every creed.

MECO.

STANDARD TIME.

The following reply from the Secretary to Government has been received to the Petition against the adoption of Standard Time recently sent to Government:—

"Sir,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated the 28th ultimo forwarding a petition from certain inhabitants of Bombay protesting against the introduction into Bombay of Indian Standard Time; and to state that it will be laid before Government."

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

American Bargain Hunters.

LONDON, DEC. 22.

BARGAIN sales are to the American woman what the Stock Market is to her husband. In both cases there is the same uncontrollable fever for speculation, the same ardent desire to get more than the worth of one's money, and the same reckless disregard of present needs and future want. The most interesting part of the bulky Sunday newspaper to a large class of its readers is the advertising pages. Sheet after sheet holds out the lure of unprecedented bargains, sales regardless of cost, and slaughtered prices. Appeal is cunningly made to the bent for economy, the love of display, and the desire for novelty and excitement inherent in womankind. The effectiveness of the advertising is proved by the throngs in the shops the day after their advertisements have appeared. The complement of the advertisement appears in the arrangement of the shop. The American shopkeeper is a very canny person. He knows his country women thoroughly. That is how he becomes a millionaire. The entire place palpitates with bargain sensations. It is useless for anyone to seek to come early and avoid the rush, for the rush sets in with the opening of the doors. In an hour the orgy is at its height. Women become more deeply intoxicated as time wears on. The counters that were piled high with goods early in the day are denuded or merely littered with a sorry remnant of bedraggled stuffs that none even of the most demoralised shoppers would be so foolish as to accept as a gift. Time after time the special reductions have been replenished from the stock. As often they have been sold out. At last there is no more in stock. Women fairly weep to hear it, there is balm for their sorrow. The head of the department says an order for more will be sent to the factory. The bargain-seeker sighs her relief. The restlessness of the crowd alone prevents panic from congestion. More than a score of lifts ceaselessly move from floor to floor. The moving stairways supplement them, and from basement to roof garden there is constant ebb and flow.

Every day is a bargain day in some shop. Almost every circumstance in the life of trade is sufficient to furnish an occasion for a bargain sale. The Christmas sales begin at least two months before Dec. 25. The first of the year is the greatest time of all for the marking-down of goods. Then merchants take stock and the more they can sell the easier the task. Therefore thrifty women wait until then, if they possibly can, to buy their winter clothing and household furnishings, and at the same time buy ahead for the summer. Some women even look so far towards the future as to buy Christmas gifts for the festival almost a year distant. Then there are anniversary sales galore. Every shop keeps its birthday, and on that day invites the public to its party with the alluring offer. In honour of the day you may buy absurdly cheap. Every removal makes a special sale, every enlarging of quarters, every turn in the season, every fire, every heavy purchase of stock. There is never any lack of excuse. In some shops one day of every week is regularly set aside as bargain day. On that day there are always at least twice as many customers as on other days.

If we suddenly break out into double shuffles, or execute reels unexpectedly, it will be the result of a lecture recently given on healthful exercise. For therein it was stated that there was nothing better for the figure, the complexion, and the general health than step-dancing. It seems that it is useless to think one can produce the same effects by waltzing all the evening, and covering so many square miles of ball-room. If one is to get any good from the exercise, it must be done where there is plenty of air, and, if possible, in the morning, before the muscles are all fatigued. The wilder the dances, the more vigorous the steps, the more stimulating will be the effect, and on a wet or foggy day, when one is confined within doors, we are assured that we shall neither feel lassitude nor boredom if only we will dance the hornpipe for half an hour and practise old country dances and high kicking. No age limit is set. We are to assume, apparently, that this form of exercise is equally suitable to the widow of fifty and the maiden of bashful fifteen, but the former is much more likely to try it. It sounds a rather agreeable way of beautifying face and figure, and is certainly a cheaper method of keeping the unruly liver in check than is generally suggested by one's pet physician. But it does not do to let one's imagination loose on this subject. Visions of generously proportioned matrons engaged in high kicking and of elderly beaux clog-dancing are best not encouraged. There are very few of one's acquaintance whom one could seriously think upon as being thus engaged. Indeed, as an incentive to another wholesome exercise, that of hearty laughter one can imagine nothing better than to picture one's friends and relations of certain ages and contours solemnly working out their hygienic salvation by high kicking, double shuffling, and clog-dancing.

Though we get plenteously abused nowadays for our crazes and petty vices, someone always manages, in the most convenient way, ultimately to discover for us that they are really blessings in disguise. Women for example, have generally been given to understand that their love of dress and passion for Bridge were two of the broad paths leading to financial destruction. But while the unco' guid have been railing at us, and husbands have been storming over foolish little discrepancies between our allowances, our dressmakers' bills, and Bridge debts, it seems that we have been actually saving ourselves from mental degeneration. Devotion to dress and Bridge may preserve many of us from lunacy, so we are told by an eminent brain specialist. So, of course, if after this there is any fuss whatever about that milliner's little bill, or if he cuts up rough about one's Bridge parties, the obvious course, will be to open up the prospect, so to say, of the lunatic asylum, and tragically demand whether one is to have one's run of Corisande's atelier and the Bridge table, or be driven stark, staring mad for lack of mental exercise. After this, what man will dare to grumble at our love of finery? For we can now confidently maintain that every new dressmaker helps to lesson the lunacy statistics, and surely there will be good grounds for divorce if any inhuman husband forbids Bridge!

A change of Government and a General Election reveal unexpected numbers of political women. People whom one would never have accused of having one political idea to rub against another are suddenly discovered to be positively bristling with partisan opinions. I believe that in the privacy of their boudoirs the women of England are at the present time hard at work learning the meaning of Fiscal Policy, Home Rule, Tariff Reform, a Socialistic Ministry and so on. No doubt many of them as they go their round of calls mutter to themselves the names of the new members of the Cabinet as the children do their Kings and Queens. The fact is women are driven to politics at such junctures in order to save themselves from absolute isolation. Men will talk nothing but politics, and with a General Election impending it is difficult enough to get them to come to anything in the nature of a social gathering. Not to be outdone, therefore, woman at once promptly meets man on his own ground. She interests herself for the time being in politics, and seemingly absorbs herself in majorities and Administrations. For the next few weeks it is safe to say she will be nothing if not political and what is more she may confidently be relied upon to prove equal to the occasion.

We had not progressed far with our present-buying without making the discovery that this has been a utilitarian Yule-tide. We do not buy wholesale prettinesses and scatter them anyhow among our friends, as we have been wont to do in times past. We give eminently useful gifts in these days. People want so many things, that it is always really quite easy, without imposing any great strain on the brain, to find something for every case. There are still some aggravating people who buy useless odds and ends, and fling them here and there without troubling to think whether the recipients will even glance at them. Folk of this kind will send reading-lamps to the blind, Bridge scorers to puritanical aunts, or bed-socks to an undergraduate nephew. But people have splendid scope now for choosing tastfully, and there are signs and tokens everywhere that they have not lost their opportunity. Motor accessories, and old furniture, and delightfully bound books cannot very well be misplaced. And even if one does not want to launch out to this extent, one can and does find at every turn just the very thing that would delight anybody to possess. People really seem to be more generous and certainly wiser where Christmas presents are concerned. If there were not a greater demand than heretofore there would assuredly not be such a wonderful supply as there is, and the most unobservant shopper cannot have failed to notice that the bulk of the wares set forth to tempt the present-seeker are of an eminently practical and sensible nature.

"The Amateur Cook" is not the most alluring title that could have been found for a culinary work. It is, indeed, distinctly discouraging to those who may be in search of a gastronomic "vade macum." But things are not always what they seem, and "The Amateur Cook," which is incongruously dedicated to Miss Ellen Terry, certainly belies its title. In point of fact it proves to be a very amusing guide to the confection of some really nice things. One does not look for humour in a cookery book; there is nothing specially funny about boning a fowl, for example, and I imagine more amusing moments than those spent in the confection of Free Kirk Pudding; but either Miss Katherine Burrill or Miss Annie Booth possesses wit enough to write quite smartly on brilliant breakfasts, light some lunches, triumphant teas, delectable dinners, superb suppers, and the details of their several menus. "The Amateur Cook" will please the bachelor of domestic tastes, but the ordinary cook will, perhaps, wish there hasbeen more receipts and less wit. She will wonder, too, if the authors of this most dainty cookery book are only trying to be funny when, having told the amateur cook that "when you use a recipe you should use it absolutely as it is given," they give the following formula for ice pudding: Take a pint of good mustard, a pint of cream, the whites of three eggs stiffly whipped, the juice of four oranges, a glass of maraschino and a tablespoonful of caster sugar!"

THE FRANCO-GERMAN SITUATION.

OPINION OF A FRENCH ADMIRAL.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COLOMBO, JAN. 7.

Admiral Jonquieres, who is returning to France after serving his full period as second in command of the French Naval Forces in the Far East left Colombo by the Armand Behic on Saturday after a brief stay in Colombo. Admiral Jonquieres has had a distinguished career, and the Government of France in graceful recognition of his services, telegraphed to him on Thursday to Colombo that he had been honoured by being elevated to the rank of Chevalier of the Legion d'Honneur. Admiral Jonquieres has great faith in the efficiency of the French Navy as more than a match for any Navy except that of England. He is confident that the present strained relations of his country will not culminate in war; but, should it do so, he has no fear that the German navy will be able to do the slightest mischief to France or her colonies in any part of the world. But war is not, he says, a popular game now. The conscription makes the people averse to it, and the Sovereigns are too wise to take the risks of war lightly. In the Far East the only navy that France need fear is that of Japan. On the part of England, the "entente" has removed all apprehensions. With 80,000 men in Algeria, and 20,000 in Cochin-China, Admiral Jonquieres thinks the French colonies are perfectly safe. A Franco-German war, he says, will be a land war along the frontiers of the two countries, the colonies of neither having the slightest reason to fear. The Admiral thinks that there is no nation, with the exception of England and Japan, who can carry large bodies of troops safely across the seas. England has forces dispersed all over the world, which are capable of easy movement towards a given centre, while Japan can transport troops within a known range of her shores. A war with Germany, therefore, will, he believes, be confined to the frontiers of the two nations, with perhaps a secondary part entrusted to the respective navies in the home seas. He thinks the French navy better equipped, better trained, more efficient, and more numerous than that of Germany.

"But all this is a mere academic talk," he said. "Neither France nor Germany desire war, and there will be none between them."

H. M. S. "FOX" AT COLOMBO.

TO MEET THE RUSSIANS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

COLOMBO, JAN. 8.

H. M. S. "Fox" has arrived in Colombo from Bombay. Her visit here is said to be in connection with the arrival of Russians, who are due in large numbers within the next few days. A fourth Russian transport is due on the 11th inst. Notice has been given to the Harbour Police of their arrival, who have made very complete preparations in connection with their stay here. Hawkers, &c., will not be allowed on these boats and with the consent of the captains, the vessels will, if possible, be kept in strict quarantine.

THE SASSOON MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.

LAST evening at the Sassoon Mechanics' Institute, Professor W H Sharp delivered an interesting lecture on "Ceylon, the Pearl of the East." There was a fairly good attendance of ladies and gentlemen. The lecture was illustrated by magic lantern slides. The lecturer began by saying that Ceylon had been poetically described as "a pearl-drop hanging upon the brow of India," and indeed by its beauty, fertility, and wealth the island deserved to be known as the Pearl of the East. Unfortunately no mere photographs could reproduce the colouring, which lent to Ceylon so much of its charm by contract with such dreary scenery as that of the Deccan. The history of Colombo was then alluded to briefly, and the scenery of the west coast described. Coming to Kandy, the mountain-capital, the lecturer showed some views of the place, and of the metal-work produced there. Nuwara Eliya the summer resort, 6,200 feet above the sea, was then depicted, as also the famous Botanical Gardens of Peradeniya, with their avenue of young talipots, and other strange or beautiful trees. The slides which followed illustrated some of the processes of tea culture and manufacture. The subject of Buddhism was then taken up, views being shown of the ancient Buddhist Capital, Anuradhapura, and of the modern Temple of Buddha's Tooth at Kandy, with its famous relic. A footprint of Buddha is believed to be preserved on Adam's Peak, the most celebrated, though not the highes, mountain of Ceylon. The lecture concluded with a few remarks on the climate of the island, and the best season for visiting it.

INSOLVENCY OF MESSRS. H. J. RUSTOMJI.

On Wednesday afternoon, in the office of the Clerk of the Bombay Insolvency Court, Messrs Byramji and Dhanjishaw, sons of the late Mr, H. J Rustomji, filed their petition for the benefit of the Act. The petitioners reside in Tamarind Lane, and carry on business in co-partnership with their brothers, Messrs. Rustomji, Cowasji and Sorabji of Karachi, business as general merchants. The liabilities have been estimated to be eighteen lakhs of rupees. The assets have not been estimated, but are stated to be over four lakhs. The founder of the firm of Messrs. H. J. Rustomji was the father of the petitioners, Mr. Hormasji Jamshedji Rustomji. He was born in 1848, he died in 1899. In virtue of a vesting-order, Mr. N. C. Macleod, the Official Assignee, has taken charge of the petitioners estates and effects.

BOMBAY CORPORATION.

AN adjourned ordinary monthly meeting of the members of the Bombay Municipal Corporation was held yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Hall, the Hon. Sir P. M. Mehta presiding.

A NEW TRUSTEE OF THE PRINCE OF WALES MUSEUM.

Necessary permission having been obtained, an urgency was proposed by the Hon. Mr. Ibrahim Rahimtoola and seconded by Mr. James MacDonald, which was carried, that with reference to the letter from the Secretary to Government, General Department, sanction be given to the appointment, by Government, of Mr. W. D. Sheppard, Municipal Commissioner, as one of the three trustees to the fund for the Prince of Wales Museum of Western India.

DISCUSSION ON THE BUDGET.

A prolonged discussion was held on the diffrent items of income and expenditure in the Municipal Budget for 1906, of when a number of proportions and amendments on expenditure in connection with General Superintendence, Assessment and Collection Department, Fire Brigade Department, Engineers, Public Works Department, Public Health Department and the other Municipal Departments were discussed and passed, at some places with slight alterations in the budget-estimates.

The following note on the revised estimates of income and expenditure for 1905-6 and was also placed on the table to give an idea of the difference between the original and revised estimates:—

"IN the Introductory Remarks to the Budget for 1906-07 already approved by the Standing Committee, the opening balance for the year has been estimated at Rs 15,50,000 thus:—

(1) Estimated closing balance as per Budget for 1905 06	Rs.	14,16.680
Add—		
(2) Unappropriated surplus for 1904-05	,,	4,34,523
(3) Net anticipated extra revenue for 1905-06	,,	3,00 000
(4) Net estimated savings in expenditure in 1905-06 (including that under contribution to the City Improvement Trust.)	,,	47,500
	Rs.	2198,703
Less—		
Amount reserved for additional grants sanctioned and to be sanctioned up to the close of 1905-07 ...	,,	6,48,703
	Rs.	15,50,000

2. On the basis of the latest available data, the income for 1905-06 is now estimated at Rs. 54,250 more than the amount of the revised estimate embodied in the Summary of Income for 1906-07. This increase is made up as under:—

		Rs.
1—Water Tax and other Miscellaneous Water Works Revenue		30,000
2—Interest and Profit on Investment of Surplus Loan and Other Balances.		15 000
3—Interest on the Sinking, &c. Funds Investments...		9,500
	Rs.	54 500
Less—		
Decrease under Receipts from Governments for Liquor Licenses		250
	Rs.	54,250

The savings in Expenditure for 1905-1906 are estimated on the present data at Rs. 14,047 in excess of the amount estimated while preparing the Budget for 1906 1907. The total expenditure for the year is estimated at Rs. 103,64,382, but the amount which is likely to be paid during the currency of the year is estimated to be not more than Rs. 96,50,000, vide explanatory note on page xvii.

The closing balance for 1905-1906 is now estimated at Rs. 15,67,000 as under:—

Estimated closing balance for 1905-06 as shown in the Budget Estimate for 1906-07	Rs. 15,50,000
Estimated closing balance for 1905-06	Rs. 15,67,000

It is requested that if the Revised Estimates now submitted meet with approval, they may be adopted by the Corporation as final amended estimates of Income and Expenditure of this Municipality for 1905-1906, the opening balance of the Budget for 1906 67 now under consideration being fixed at Rs. 15,67,000."

A RISE IN THE SALARY OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEERS.

Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, in accordance with his notice of motion moved that the Budget Estimate in respect of expenditure for the year 1906-7 for the Public Works (Engineer's) Department, General Supervision and Miscellaneous Duties', the salary of the Executive Engineer, be adopted at Rs. 20,200, the salary of the Executive Engineer being fixed at Rs. 1,702 for the 1st of April next. Speaking in connection with Mr. Hallthe Executive Engineer, Sir Bhalchandra said that the pay of Mr. Hall be increased by Rs 200 a month.

He eulogized the services of Mr. Hall, laying special stress upon his last two years' work. Mr. Hall he said, was very vigilant and enthusiastic in his work and that he had introduced many welcome charges in his department, thus proving that he was a capable officer of the Municipality. He thought that the Corporation should on this occasion, recognize his services by increasing his way by Rs. 200 per mensem.

The Hon. Mr. Dunn supported the last speaker and said. Mr. Hall had discharged his duty in a way that satisfied the Corporation. Mr. Hall was a man of wide experience, which was what the Corporation required. He thought the Corporation should certainly recognize this fact by an increase in his salary.

Dr Sukhia opposed the ammendment and admitting that he was not an expert in that kind of work, he went on criticizing the work of Mr. Hall.

Mr. James MacDonald and that this proposition was carefully considered said worked out. He wondered how Dr. Sukhia could faithfully criticize Mr. Hall's work, admitting he himself was not an expert in that work.

Mr. Jehangir Petit also opposed the amendment, because he thought no sufficient ground was advanced to justify the amendment.

Mr. Mandlik said that the minimum salary attached to the post Mr. Hall held was Rs. 1,200 per month rising up to Rs. 2,000. But Mr. Hall was started with a salary of Rs. 1,500 per month. The speaker did not see why that privilege was allowed to Mr. Hall unless he showed extraordinary powers. But having allowed him that previlege, at present they should wait for a little longer time and then take an opportunity to raise his pay.

After some further discussion on the subject, the amendment of Sir Bhalchandra Krishna was put to the vote, with the result that it was carried by twenty-three votes against thirteen.

A RISE IN THE SALARY OF ANOTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICER.

Dr. N. N. Katrak would, in accordance with notice given that the budget estimate in respect of expenditure for the Public Works (Engineer's) Department, Drainage, and General Supervising Establishment, be adopted at Rs. 27,125, the salary of the temporary Deputy Executive Engineer, Drainage, Ordinary Branch, being fixed at Rs. 800 from the 1st April next, and that this increase of salary be without prejudice to any decision that the Corporation may come to on the qusetion of the amalgamation of the two appointments of Special and Ordinary Deputy Drainage Engineers.

There ensued some discussion in connection with this proposition, but it was ultimately carried.

MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC GARDENS.

Mr. N. N. Saher, moved that the Budget Estimate in respect of expenditure for the year 1906-07 for the maintenance of Public Gardens including a provision of Rs. 6 000 for New Works at the Victoria Gardens as per Items Nos. 3 and 4 of Statement No. 13 printed at page 95 of the Budget, be adopted at Rs. 81 026, the Standing Committee's Estimate being increased by Rs. 1,000 for the improvement of the Bhattia Baug. That provision for an expenditure of Rs 3,000 for providing bands in the different parts of the City, be made in the Budget for the year 1906-07

After some discussion, this proposition was allowed to be withdrawn, as it was found unnecessary.

EXPENDITURE OF TAX ESTABLISHMENTS.

Dr. A. G. Viegas moved that the provision made for the proposed increase from Rs. 50 to Rs. 80, in the increments attached to the salary of the Assessor and Collector be disallowed and the estimate of expenditure in respect of the Property and Wheel Tax Establishment be reduced accordingly. He also moved that the provision made for enabling the Revenue and Refund Audit Officer to draw the maximum salary of his appointment from the 1st April next, be disallowed and the estimate of expenditure in respect of the Revenue and Refund Audit Establishment be reduced accordingly.

As these propositions were not seconded they fell through.

INTERESTING TO THE PUBLIC.

The following report of a Sub-Committee to report on the proposal of taking a fresh census of the population of Bombay to be placed before the next meeting would be found interesting to the public as the proposals would likely be put into execution:—

The Committee appointed by Corporation Resolution No. 2734, dated the 11th September 1905, to consider in consultation with the Commissioner and the Executive Health Officer, and to report on what date a fresh Census of the population of Bombay should be taken and what detailed information should be obtained as regards each inhabitant, beg to report as follows:—As to the date for taking the Census, the Committee were at first of opinion that the night of Monday the 11th of December 1905 was the most suitable time, but it was quite out of the question, in view of the Royal visit and other causes, to make the necessary arrangements for this date, and a later date had to be selected. After due consideration the Committee beg to recommend the night of Friday, the 9th February 1906 (which will be a full moon night), unless at that time plague prevails in the City, to a serious extent.

Letter from the Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay, No. 20101, dated the 28th September 1905:—

"The Corporation authorise me to obtain the sanction of Government to the taking of the census. Since then the Committee has met on the 31st instant, and the following Resolution has been passed:—After disussion it was agreed that the night of Monday, the 11th December 1905, was the most suitable time for taking the proposed fresh census, and that the Commissioner be requested to address Government proposing that they should undertake the Census dividing equally the cost thereof between themselves and the Corporation of that they should give their sanction to the taking of an independent Census by the Corporation."

Resolution.—The Municipal Commissioner should be informed that Government, are unable to undertake a fresh Census of Bombay City or share its cost. They have, however, no objection to an independent census being taken by the Corporation at their own cost and are pleased to accord the sanction required under Section 454 of Bombay Act III of 1888.

It was resolved by the Government that while noting that the form submitted by the Municipal Commissioner does not provide for information as to the language of the person enumerated nor whether he is literate or illiterate approve of the form and leave it to the Municipal Commissioner to decide whether to add columns for these particulars. The information might be useful but Government do not wish to press for it if the addition will be attended with any practical inconvenience.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

Captain H. S. Strong, Assistant Political Agent, Third Grade, passed an examination in Gujarati according to the Lower Standard on the 18th December.

Captain T. A. F. R. Oldfield, Assistant Political Agent, Second Grade, passed an examination in Marathi according to the Higher Standard on the 19th December.

Major J. R. B. G. Carter Assistant Political Agent, Second Grade, on return to duty, to be Assistant Political Resident, Aden.

Mr. H. N. Crouch, Barrister-at-law, District Government Pleader, Karachi, Government Pleader in the Sadar Court ond Public Prosecutor for the Province of Sind is granted leave of absence without allowances for six monthe with effect from the 11th January or the subsequent date on which he may avail himaelf of it.

Mr. A. H. S. Aston, M. A. (Oxon.), Barrister-at-Law, to act as District Government Pleader, Karachi, Government Pleader in the Sadar Court and Public Prosecutor for the Province of Sind, during the absence on leave of Mr. H. N. Crouch, Barrister-at-Law, or pending further orders.

Captain H. O. Codrington, Assistant Cantonment Magistrate, Poona and Kirkee, and Magistrate of the First Class in the District of Poona, is invested with additional powers under the said Code of Criminal Procedure.

Mr. F. S. Punnett to act as Chief Collector of Customs and Collector of Salt Revenue in Sind, vice Mr. E. H. Aitken, B.A., pending further orders.

Mr. P. J. Fitzgibbon, M. Inst. C.E., Executive Engineer, 1st Grade, is appointed to act as Superintending Engineer, Northern Division, during Mr. Tarapurvala's absence, or until further orders.

Mr. R. M. Phillips acted as Commissioner of Police, in addition to his own duties, vice Mr. H. G. Gell, M.V.O., from the 21st November to the 23rd December, both days inclusive.

Assistant Surgeon C. C. Wale, I.S.M.D., passed an examination in the Somali language on the 30th October.

Mr. H. B. Clayton, I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Thana, is granted privilege leave for three months in combination with special leave for three months from 1st June, or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Mr. A. D. Brown, I.C.S., on return to duty, to be Assistant Collector, Bijapur.

Mr. S. J. Murphy, I.C.S., to be Assistant Collector, Ahmednagar.

Mr. J. Boyd, Preventive Officer, Mora Barge, held charge of the current duties of the office of Assistant Collector of Salt Revenue, Uran Range, in addition to his own duties, from 17th September to 17th October, both days inclusive.

The Reverend J. C. Matthew is appointed to be Junior Chaplain, St. Andrew's Church, with effect from the 5th instant.

The Reverend Rowland Wormell, M. A., has been appointed by the Secretary of State for India a Chaplain on probation on the Bombay Ecclesiastical Establishment.

The Reverend R. Wormell, M. A., is appointed to do duty as Chaplain at Rajkot till the departure on leave of the Reverend Canon Beck and thereafter to be Chaplain of Ahmedabad.

The Reverend Canon Beck, Chaplain of Ahmedabad, has been granted privilege leave for three months from the 11th January or the subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it.

Captain G. McPherson, M.B., I.M.S., to act as Civil Surgeon, Panch Mahals, pending further orders.

THE MANAGEMENT OF A MOSQUE.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE HIGH COURT.

BEFORE the Hon. Mr Justice Batchelor, at the High Court yesterday, the suit was called on in respect of the management of a mosque in Dongree Street, Bombay, in which Abdulrahman Bhaiji, and others were plaintiffs, and Mahomed Yenus Hafiz and others, Concani Mahomedans, managers of the Mosque and its properties, were defendants. The Hon. Mr. Raikes, Advocate-General, Mr. D. D. Davar, and Mr. Lowndes, instructed by Messrs Captain and Vaidya, appeared for the plaintiffs Mr. Inverarity and Mr. Strangman, instructed by Messrs. Ardeshir Hormusji Dinshaw & Co., appeared for the defendants.

The plaint set forth that Kazi Kamal-ud-din Maheri erected a mosque in Dangri Bazaar about ninety-five years ago, and dedicated it to the Sunni Mahomedan community for worship. At present the mosque owned property, aggregating in value about one lakh of rupees, producing about Rs. 6,000 per year. Defendants were the present "mutavalis" or managers appointed by the Dungri Street Jamat, a small number. There were quarrels and frictions and first plaintiff, who was formerly a manager, had to resign office on 22nd April 1904. The affairs of the mosque were in great confusion; funds had accumulated, and remained without investment; properties pertaining to the mosque were not properly looked after; rents had remained unrecovered in several instances; no accounts of receipts and disbursements have been published; and a large number of members of the Sunni Mahomedan community of Bombay were dissatisfied with this state of affairs. Plaintiffs' prayer was that fit and proper persons be appointed trustees of the mosque and its properties; defendant ordered to render accounts a scheme he framed for the management of the properties, and so forth.

Defendants' written statement stated among other things, that plaintiffs were not enliti d to the reliefs prayed for. Sunni Mahomedans had no right in the management of the mosque; they had only the right to pray there. Control of the mosque and of its properties belonged to the Jamat of the Masjid, and to members living in Dungri Street, Funds had accumulated owing to the key of the safe not being in the sole charge of the defendants; on 5th December 1904, the funds in their hands were Rs. 1,036. The box containing the key of the safe was opened, and Rs. 10,135 were devoted to the purchase of a property, with the consent of the Court. The properties were properly looked after, and there was no undue failure in recovering rents. Plaintiffs had filed this suit vexatiously, and not in the interest of the mosque, and without calling upon them for explanations.

Mr. Lowndes addressed the Court, and the hearing was proceeded with.

ADMINISTERING A STUPEFYING DRUG.

A PROFESSIONAL CRIMINAL.

THE Hon Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Aston, presiding at the High Court, have disposed of an appeal in a case against Atmaram Gopal Powar, who was convicted by Mr. A. W. G. Chuckerbutty, Additional Sessions Judge of Colaba, in September last, of administering a stupefying drug with intent to facilitate the commission of theft and being an old offender, was sentenced to transportation for life.

It appeared that four months ago the accused went to the house of Ganoo Yesoo, pretending to be a havildar of Police in Bombay, returning from leave from Mahad, and alleging that he knew complainant's nephew, and had instructed him in drill. A message was sent to complainant, who was in his field, and he returned home and found accused there with his wife Anandi. Accused said he had a cough and wanted some "conjee." Complainant told his wife to give accused some "conjee," and went back to his field, Accused stayed with them that night, saying he would be off in the morning, but in the morning he said his cough was not better, and he would stay another day. He had ascertained from complainant's little grandson where the ornaments in the house were kept. Anandi began to cough and said she had asthma. The accused made a pill with some jagree, the size of a betel-nut, and told Anandee to take it. She bit it and found it tasted bitter and handed it to her daughter, Parvati, who held it to the light and noticed a black substance with a bitter smell. The complainant bit a piece himself and ate it to encourage Anandi, and she ate the remainder then. They all went to bed. Anandi got up and complained of feeling sick and giddy. Complainant also felt sick and giddy. It was then discovered that the accused had gone with all his kit, The family box, with clothes and ornaments, had disappeared. They searched about the fields, but failed to find the accused. The heavy rain prevented them from doing much. A report was made to the Police, and the accused who was pursued, was arrested a few days afterwards. The Sessions Judge remarked that the accused's methods of practising deception and thieving were subtle, and he was moreover a desperate character. He was a very old offender, and was sentenced to transportation for life.

Their Lordships confirmed the conviction, but reduced the sentence to seven years' rigorous imprisonment, of which three months were to be solitary confinement.

"CLEM" HILL.

IT is to be hoped that the rumour, quoted by Reuter's Adelaide correspondent "on excellent authority," that "Clem" Hill intends to retire from active cricket is unfounded; for Hill, even though he was not quite so good this year as he is always expected to be, is one of the greatest batsmen in the world writes a home paper.

Hill began making runs freely when he was still a schoolboy. At the age of fifteen he played an innings of 360 against a rival school; and in the following season he was selected to play for North Adelaide, and made 217 against the Hindmarsh Club. He was only seventeen when he scored 150 (not out) and 66 for South Australia against Stoddart's team and when, at the close of that tour, an Australian side was being selected to visit England, he played an innings of 206 for South Australia against New South Wales, while the selectors were actually in conference and the news telegraphed to them, gained him his place, as he followed it up with a good score for "the Rest" against "the Eleven." In his first tour, though he was the last man chosen—and only eighteen years of age—he came out third in the batting averages; and since then no Australian side has been complete without him, and no batsman had been more dreaded by the best English bowlers. In the Test matches in Australia in 1901-2, he played consecutive innings of 99, 98, and 97, and, still earlier—in 1900—he made a new Australian record by playing an innings of 365 against New South Wales. He has always been more successful in Australia than in England; but even in England, he has been a very difficult batsman to get out and a very prolific scorer.

Hill is a left-handed batsman, and a brilliant rather than an elegant one. He watches the ball very closely, makes good use of a long reach, and hits very hard. His cutting is particularly clean, and his placing on the leg side timed with perfect judgment. He always had a very powerful drive, and his taste for this stroke seemed to have developed, when he was in England last season, to the verge of occasional recklessness. In the long-field he has very few equals. Hill made the last Australian visit serve him as a honeymoon; and it was noticeable that he was growing distinctly stout—especially noticeable, as every cricket lover over here remembered him, only a few years ago, as a long, slender boy. Still he is only twenty-nine years of age, and must have many years of great cricket in him yet.

BIG SALARIES AND FEES.

THE United States is the land of big salaries and fees. A writer in "Success" tells that there are two or three doctors in New York who make over 100,000dols. from their practice, which is chi flywith the wealthy; there are five or six doctors who make from 50,000dols. to 60 000dols.; there are fifty who make from 25,000dols. to 30,000dols.; there are 150 who have an income ranging from 10,000dols. to 12,000dols. and about 300 who manage to earn from 5,000dols. to 6,000dols by hard work. The average doctor in most of the large cities gets 2dols. a visit out of his office. In the business world the highest salaries are paid to the officers of insurance companies. James W. Alexander, while president of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, was paid 100,000dols. a year; and he was not the only insurance president who received that amount. Paul Morton former Secretary of the Navy, who is the new head of the Equitable, volunteered to cut his own salary from 100,000dols. to 75,000dols., but there is a vast difference between this and the 8,000dols. he received as a Cabinet officer. The next highest salaries in the insurance business below those of the executive heads are paid to the managers of the companies with jurisdiction over the various States, or sets of States. These get from 10,000dols. to 25,000dols. a year. Among lawyers who have been conspicuous for earning extraordinary fees are Chauncey M. Depew, who received 100,000dols. a year from the New York Central Railroad Company, and who until recently was paid 20,000dols. a year by the Equitable Life Assurance Society as a retainer. David B. Hill, who likewise received 5,000dols. a year from the Equitable as an adviser, once charged 10,000dols. for making a "single argument" for the prosecution in the Molineux case. To the list of extraordinary fees that lawyers have earned may be added the 200,000dols. which Joseph H. Choate until recently Ambassador to England, received for arguing a few hours before the Supreme Court at Washington.

HIGH COURT.—January 11.

(Before the Hon'ble The CHIEF JUSTICE and the Hon'ble Mr. JUSTICE BATTY.)

For Judgment.

13,593-03—Nusserwanji Cawasji Shroff vs Luxman Bhicaji

For Argument on the Questions of Costs.

1383—Nanu H & Co—Yacoobbhoy Mahomed Sajan vs Moosabhoy Mahomed Sajdu and others Tyabji D & Co—Nanu H & Co

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE CHANDAVARKAR)

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Commercial Cause

223-05—Mulla and M—Rustomji Ardeser Cooper vs Moraj Mohunji Sorabji and J Part heard

In re Land Acquisition Act 1 of 1894 and cause in the matter of Government and J D Gonsalves E F Nicholson for Government

Long Causes

752-05—Sorabji and J—Morarji Mohunji vs Messrs Kapadia Brothers—Mulla and M

360-04—Bhaishunker K and G—Sumsoodin Golamhoosen another vs Abdoolhoosen Kahlemoodin and others—Payne and Co and Little and Co—Part hear

490-05—Sorabji and J—Abdul Latif Haji Mahomed Jitayker vs Abdul Rehmon bin Abdul Kadir Jitaker Captain and V

499-03—Edgelow G and W—Haji Mahomed Mehdi Malik Pojjar vs Arthur David Sassoon Wadia G and Co

250-99—Edgelow G and W—Haji Mahomed Mehdi Malik Tojjas vs Sir E E A Sassoon Baronet and others—Wadia G and Co

45-01—Madhavji and R—Lalman alias Laloo Ramprasad and others vs Devsey Devji and others—Ardeshir H D and Co

635-05—Matubhoy J and M—Partapchand Gulabchhand vs Bai Samrath widow Mulji and D—For postponement

432-05—Jehangir and S—Ashabai widow vs Abdulla Haji Mahomed and others Thakurdas and Co and Captain and V

881-05—Mansuklal J and H—Bai Gangabai and others vs The Madras United S and W Mills Co Ld—Pestomji R and K—B M and K—M and R

355-05—Matubhoy J and M—Damji Hirji vs Ruttonbai widow—Captain and V

275-3789-05—Tyabji D and P—Hurgawandas Hathidas vs Baboo Bhawoo and others—Chitnis and M

318 10319-05—Dikshit D and S—John Michael Simon vs Adamji Peerbhoy and others—Bicknell M and R

250 02—Dikshit D and G—Kanji Bhadji vs Devram Keshavji—In person

Before the Hon. Mr. Justice BATCHELOR.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

443-01—Captain and V—Abdoor Rehman Bhaiji vs Mahomed Yormus Haf and others—Ardeser H D and Co

554-03—Matubhai J and M—Parekh Bhojilal Purshotamdas vs Chunilal Umedbhai and others—Daphtary F and D

624-04—Payne and Co—Purshotam Hurichund vs Narayen Hurichand Mulji and D

223-01—Tyabji D and C—Moosubhoy Mahomed Sajan and another—Nanu H and Co and Tayabji D and Co

256-05—Pestonji R and K—Dinshaw Hirjibhoy Malegaumwala vs Dossabhoy Shapurji Malegaumwala and others—Edgelow G and W K B Mehta andP R and K

424-05—Craigee L and O—Dadi Nusservanji Dadi vs Heerabai and others—Pestonji R and K and E G and W

101 05—Tyabji D and Co—Ramchandra Hirji vs Janardhan Ramchundra and others—Tyabji and Co—M R Vakil and M H M and R

751-02—Payne and Co—Shamji Ruttonsey and another vs Purshottum Ruttonsey and others—Nanu H and Co—Little and Co and Tyabjee D and Co

172-01—Bicknell M and R Jaynarayen Hindumull Dani vs Jijibhoy Jehangir and another Daphtary and F

648-01—Bhaishunker K and G Bai Ambabai widow vs Haji Abdool Razak Haji Abubucker and others Payne and Co and B K and G

(Before the Hon Mr Justice SCOTT)

Suits for Hearing and Final disposal.

Long Causes.

640 05—Captain and V—Kashinath Shamji vs Chimnaji Sadashiv and others—P Pavri—Payne and Co and M J and G—Part heard

730-05—Payne and Co N C Macleod vs Rahimtoola Dada Phakurdas and Co part heard

Long causes

675-01—Sorabji and J B—L Moniz vs E A deSouza and others—Captain and V

383-05—Mulla and M—Dowram Keshawji vs The Municipal Commissioner of Bombay—Crawford B and Co

472-03—Mulla and M—Dowram Keshawji vs The Municipal Commissioner of Bombay—Crawford B and Co

371-05—Payne and Co—Jusa Guja vs Wamon Narayen and another—M B Chothia

141-05—Pestonji R and K—Pallonji Rustomji Choksey vs Hormusji Kiasji Sanjana and others—Wadia G and Co

661-05—M B Chothia—Cooverbai widow vs Pestonji Dadabhoy Bhandara—Mulla and M

331-05—Crawford B and Co—The Municipal Corporation of Bombay and another vs Hirji Ardeshir Dady and another—Ardeshir H D and Co—and Thakurdas and Co

573-20007-01—Mulla and M—Rustomji Ardeshir Cooper vs Morarji Mohunji—Sorabji and J

879-01—Matubhai J and M and S and M Rao Saheb Mohunji Pranjewandas and others vs Lukhmidas Purbhudas and others—Bhaishunker K and G and M J and M

109-05—K & B Mehta—Ahmedbhoy Someji vs Savlaram Ramji Palkrishna & M

845-04—Kanga & P—Maganlal Vijbhookandas vs The Bombay Co Limited—Crawford B & Co

16,745-04—The Bombay Co Limited vs Maganlal Vijbhookandas Khandvala

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

("Bombay Government Gazette," January, 11.)

Mr Manikram Subrayam Mudliar Hospital Asst is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Board of Gokak in the Belgaum Dist vice Mr Deorao B Deshpande deceased

Mr Dattatraya Sadashiv Padhye Mahalkari of Guhagar is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Board of Chiplun in the Ratnagiri Dist vice Mr V G Masurkar resigned

Mr Vinayak Govind Masurkar Mahalkari of Mandangad is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Board of Dapoli in the Ratnagiri Dist vice Mr D S Padhye resigned

Mr S V Yatgiri Mamlatdar is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Board of Chikodi in the Belgaum Dist vice Mr R K Parvatikar resigned

Mr Hanmant Krishna Kulkalli Mamlatdar is appointed to be a nominated member of the Taluka Local Board of Mahad in the Kolaba Dist vice Mr J B Behere resigned

Mr Narahar Vinayak Devakule is appointed to be a nominated councillor of the Nargund Municipality vice Mr Narayan Vasudev Kunnur resigned

Mr Dolaji Vajiraji Marv di is appointed to be a nominated councillor of the Gokak Municipality vice Mr Trimbak Balaji Mahajan resigned

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Captain H S Strong Asst Political Agent Third Grade passed an examination in Gujarati according to the Lower Standard on the 18th Dec

Capt T A F R Oldfield Asst Political Agent Second Grade passed an examination in Marathi according to the Higher Standard on the 19th Dec

Mr Panachand Jechand Mehta to act as Fifth Grade Depy Asst Political Agent Kathiawar vice Mr Chimanlal Girdharlal Mehta transferred pending further orders

Major J R B G Carter Asst Political Agent Second Grade on return to duty to be Asst Political Resident Aden

Mr Anant Sadashiv Tambe, Fourth Grade Depy Asst Political Agent, Kathiawar, acted at Supdt, Managed estates, Kathiawar, during the absence on privilege leave of Mr J B B Hotson.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

The G in C is pleased to confirm the following appointments made by the Hon the Chief Justice of His Majesty's High Court of Judicature B vice Mr Kaikhasru Framji Modi B A LL B (Bom) granted privilage leave for two months and thirty day with effect from the 8th Janu 1906 or subsequent date on which he may avail himself of it or pending further orders—

Mr Ranchhodbhai B Baibhai Patel B A LL B (Cantab) Barrister-at-Law to act as Asst C m for taking Accounts and Asst Taxing Officer vice Mr Modi

Mr Hirjibhai Hormusji Wadia B A (Cantab and Bom) Barrister-at-Law to act as Senior Judge Clerk and Comr for Affidavits vice Mr D G ma,

Capt W C Anderd livered over and Capt H O Codrington received charge of the office of the Asst Cantont Magist Poona and Kirkee, on the 11th Dec,

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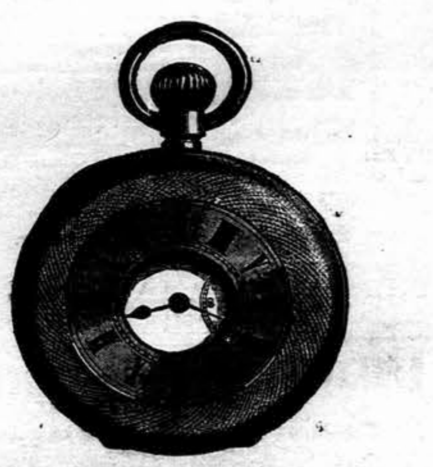

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M.A.P. IN THE GREEN ROOM.

A boy of ten was taken the other night to see Mr. and Mrs Arthur Bourchier in The Merchant of Venice at the Garrick. When the play was over, he said to his father: "Daddy, instead of taking me to a pantomime at Christmas, will you let me see The Merchant of Venice again?" He was a very ordinary and a very boyish boy, representing, I should say, in intellect and taste, the average little schoolboy of the day. So that may not his request be regarded by us as having something to do with the fact that in London proper this Christmas time we have but one pantomime to three Shakespeare plays? At his Majesty's Theatre, Mr. Beerbohm Tree announces, to begin on Boxing Night, a "Special Christmas Revival" of Shakespeare's comedy, The Tempest, with himself as Caliban, and his clever daughter, Viola, as Ariel. At the Adelphi there is A Midsummer Night's Dream expressly produced only a few weeks ago that it might come in handy as Mr. Otho Stuart's "Christmas Attraction." At the Garrick, The Merchant of Venice.

The boy of ten who was anxious to swap his annual pantomime treat for a second visit to The Merchant of Venice, explained to his father that he did not understand what the men and women in pantomime talked about. He explained, too, in language of his own, that the blazing glitter of almost all the scenes, and the ceaseless evolutions of the corps de ballet, gave him a dreadful headache. This is the sort of boy—taking him to speak for the generality of boys of to-day—Sir Frank Burnand, Mr. J. Hickory Wood, and Mr. Arthur Collins have had in view while writing, "inventing," and producing the new pantomime at Drury Lane. Much glitter there will be, of course and equally of course there will be the usual fancy drill of hundreds of female warriors in shining armour. A wise manager does not cut all the cords at once that bind him to tradition. But the makers of the Drury Lane Cinderella have been most careful to write a pantomime that shall be understood of the little people. Appointing themselves their own censors they have been quick to sit upon anything that might in their judgment, be capable of twisting into riskiness and although politics have of necessity been permitted a "look-in," the allusions to the new Cabinet and the old are few and easily comprehended. Cinderella, in short, is a little children's pantomime first, and a big children's pantomime second.

Drury Lane is sincerely to be congratulated upon securing for its pantomime a comedian so clean-cut and reliable in his methods as Mr. Walter Passmore. For a large house like the National Theatre, it is worse than useless to engage actors who cannot appeal to every corner of the building, and although there may be many comedians as good as Mr. Passmore, there are few who can prove it to the gallery as well as the stalls. Mr. Passmore is in the front rank of the few. He has the gift, in its "No. 1 size," of what is known in theatrical phraseology as "getting there," and drawing laughter in spontaneous gusts and no man takes more pains than he to give the best of which he is capable. Walter Passmore, who was born in Bloomsbury of Devonian parents, and who is the right side of forty by a couple of years, was, where the stage was concerned, bred in a hard school. After serving an apprenticeship with Messrs. Cramer, that he might, if a failure in the theatre, earn his bread as a turner of pianos, he joined a touring company run by a brother-in-law, and gained much valuable, if wearing, experience in the rush-about farcical comedies which were at that period (some fifteen years ago) very much the fashion. Mr. Passmore was something more than general utility in that company, for in the strict sense as he tells, us the phrase applies to acting only, and he did many other things besides, including taking money at the door (when there was any to take), doing a share of the prompting, and playing the piano in the orchestra—indeed, being, with that piano, the orchestra in its entirety!

Walter Passmore, like his partner at Drury Lane, Mr. Harry Randall, sang as a boy from a surplice, He warbled the solos at All Saints' Church, Notting Hill, for six years, receiving his education at the schools in connection with the church. Mr. Harry Randall, when "a little chorister, robed in white," was a "second treble" first at St. Michael's, Burleigh Street, Strand, then at St. Mary-le-Strand, and finally at the Chapel Royal, Savoy. Mr. Randall's experience at St. Michael's was one of a decidedly adventurous order. He was so small when he first entered upon his duties here that the shortest cassock was too long for him, and one morning, during a "processional," it tripped him up and threw him violently against the boy immediately in front, with the result that the leading portion of the choir gave a sudden imitation of a goods-train closing up clatteringly from a bang in the rear from a shunting-engine. Some Sundays after this Master Harry Randall was discovered by the senior curate making a caricature of the Vicar in the fly leaf of his hymn book, and for this shocking offence he was instantly expelled—and taken into the choir at the Chapel Royal Savoy!

Rehearsing his part in the Drury Lane pantomime in the day, and appearing nightly at the Lyric as Private Charlie Taylor in The Blue Moon (the hundredth performance of which was celebrated by the display of a lot of new business), Mr. Walter Passmore has lately been having a pretty lively time of it. There have been nights when the comedian has gone on from the Lyric, after the performance, to put in time at a late rehearsal at the Lane—but these nights, fortunately for him, have been few. Had they been many, it is doubtful whether Walter Passmore would not have been up to their requirements. One Christmas morning, when he was between twelve and thirteen, he was singing in the Messiah at All Saints', and on the following Boxing Night he was playing the part of a melodious page in a pantomime in Sunderland—the pantomime being curiously enough Cinderella.

The Palace, in Shaftesbury Avenue, which offers a specially attractive programme for the Christmas holidays, celebrated in very grand style, on Tuesday night of last week, the thirteenth anniversary of its opening as a theatre of varieties. Superstitious people who look with a distrustful eye upon the number thirteen will note, to the undoing of their prejudice, that the thirteenth anniversary was, perhaps, the most successful one the Palace has enjoyed. The seats were taken up to the full in every part of the house, Mr. Alfred Butt declaring that he could have sold them three times over had he been permitted to respond in that strange manner to demand; while the programme, which was contributed to by many men and women of the stage proper—including Mr Charless Warner, Mr, Lewis Waller, and the clever Beringer girls, Esme and Very—gave advertisement not to a single absentee. In a manner which seemed to hint that the actor is gaining rather than losing in vigour as the time rushes on, Mr. Charles Warner, gave the late Sir Henry Irving's favourite piece, The Dream of Eugene Aram. It was a masterful bit of acting, almost startling in its suggestions of horrible reality, and the veteran actor, erect and buoyant as of old, was loudly called before the curtain after he had retired on the almost sorrowfully dramatic lines with which Hood ended his awful story of a murder and a conscience and the Avenging Hand.

Only a few days ago a party of stonemasons or modellers, suspended in cages, were putting the finishing touches to the facade of the Aldwych Theatre. The windows themselves were not in although French polishers were at work on the frames and there was a general air about the place which suggested completion in about six months. But the neighbourhood of Kingsway and Aldwych, young as it is in its transformed state, is noted already for its surprising achievements in the building way and to-day the Aldwydh Theatre stands ready for opening on Saturday evening with the old Vawdeville fairy piece Bluebell. Mr. Charles Frohman, the lessee and manager of the new theatre has enlarged and elaborated this Bluebell with so liberal hand in the direction of production, scenery, corps de ballet, and so forth and Miss Ellaline Terriss and Mr. Seymour Hicks have added so much in the way of song and business to their orginal parts that it will be an unusually penetrating playgoer that recognises in the Aldwych version a very striking likeness to the Bluebell which blossomed at the Vaudeville for so many months in the earlier career of Mr. and Mrs. Hicks, and which afterwards lived a long and prosperous provincial life with Mr Stanley Brett in his brothers part and Miss Mabel Love as the heroine. But enlargement and elaboration, I am told have not been effected at a sacrifice of simplicity and the Aldwych, therefore, should be high up on the line of theatres for the consideration of parents and guardians during the Christmas holidays. Mr. Seymour Hicks and Miss Ellaline Terriss are sure to receive a very hearty and genuine welcome.

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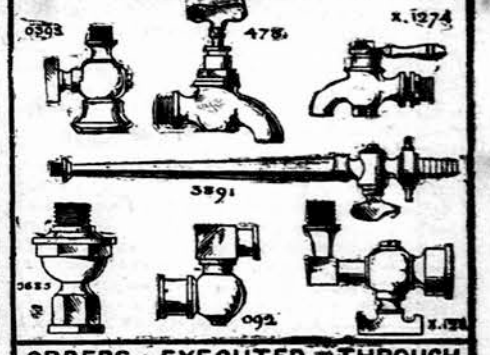

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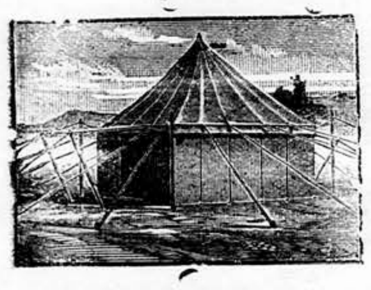

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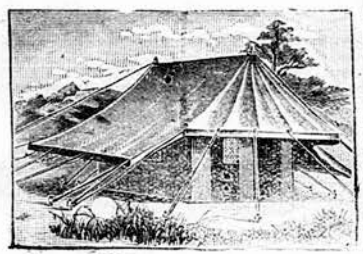

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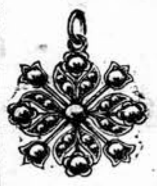

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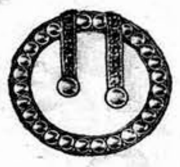

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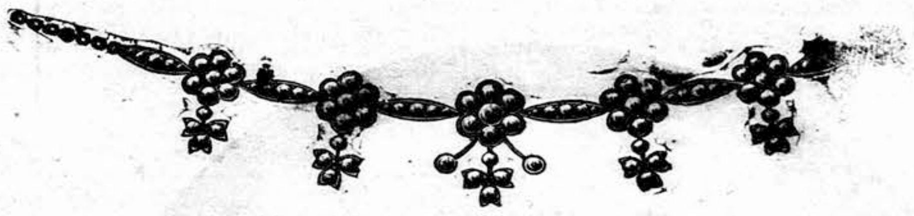

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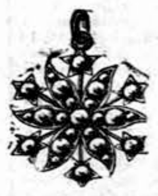

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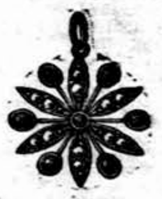

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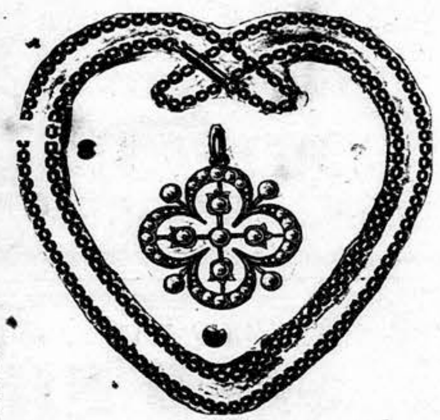

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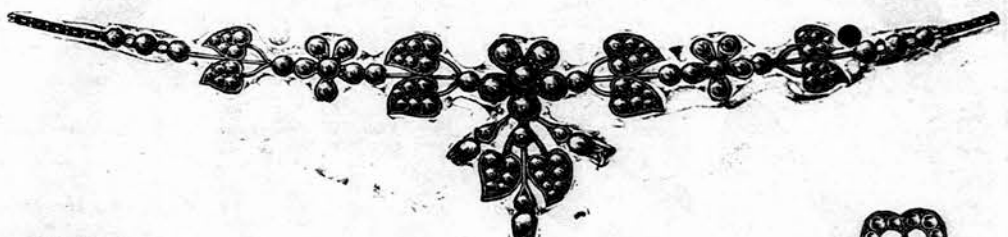

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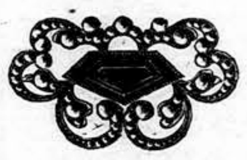

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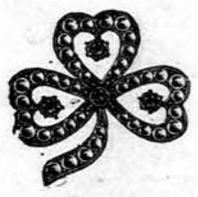

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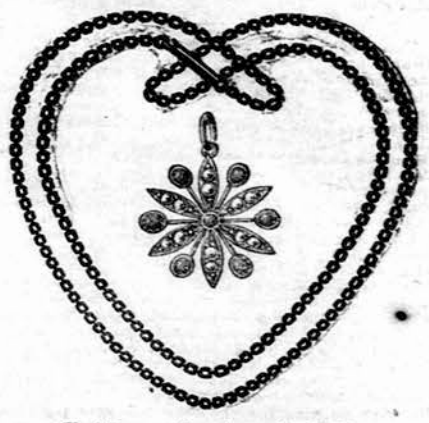

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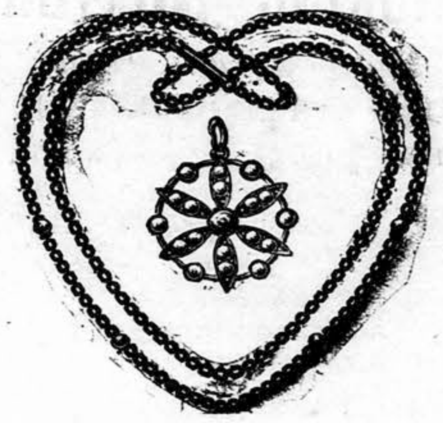

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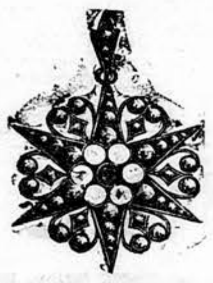

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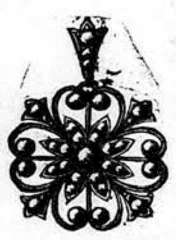

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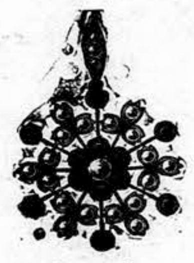

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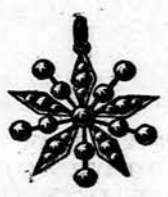

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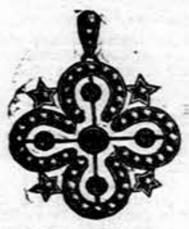

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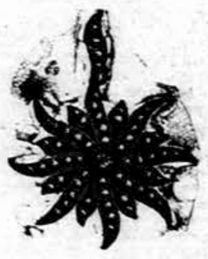

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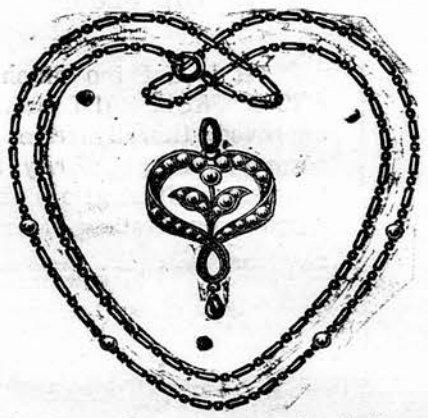

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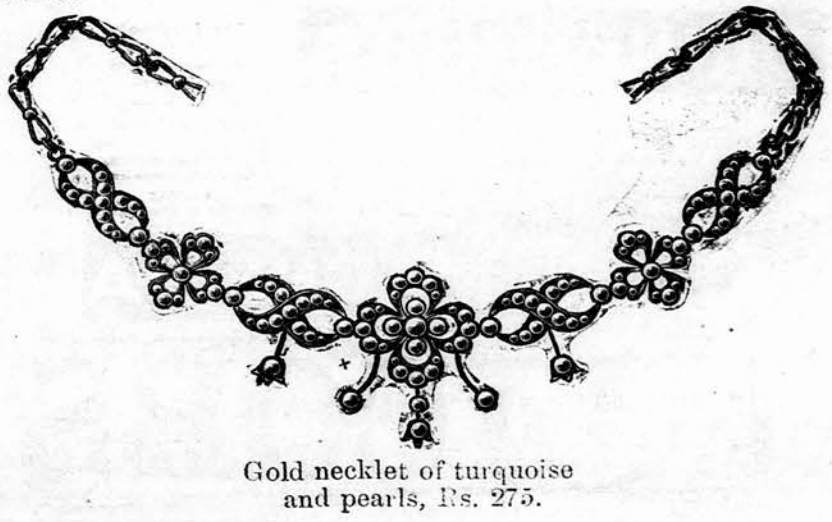

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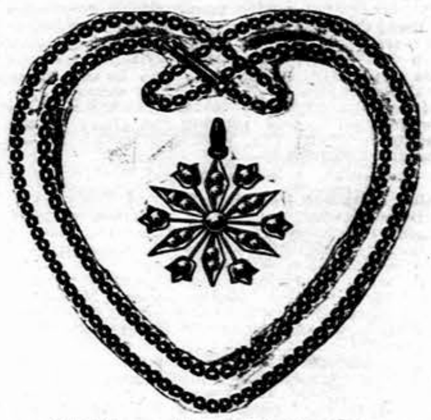

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